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OF THE

Methodist Conferences,

ANNUALLY HELD IN

A M E R I C A,

From 1773 to 1794, inclusive.

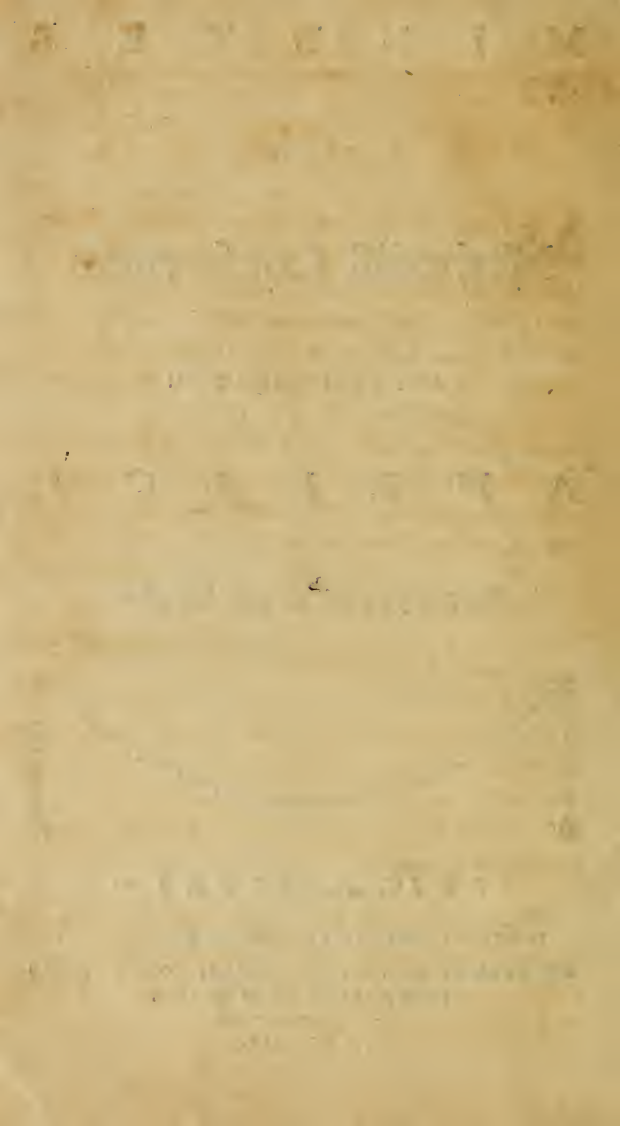


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P R E F A C E.

MANY of our travelling preachers have expressed a desire, to have our "Yearly Minutes of Conference," published in the order in which they have occurred; and are of opinion that a book of this kind would be pleasing and entertaining; especially to the preachers (both travelling and local) as well as to many of our judicious brethren and friends: wherein may be seen the growth and spread of infant Methodism to the manhood of twenty-two or twenty-three years.

We are the more desirous to send this little publication into the world, because it contains in substance a brief history of the rise and progress of the travelling ministry, and the success of their labours through these United States:—and while we survey the past loving kindness of the Lord, we are led to trust him for the future, and to say as of Jacob and of Israel, What hath God wrought.

It may be objected (as it has been by some on similar occasions) that "many of these minutes have been already printed, and we have to purchase the same books twice."

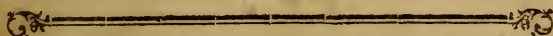
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We answer, 1st, No person is under any obligation to purchase any books of ours unless they want them, much less to purchase those they have already. 2d, Although many of our yearly minutes have been printed, yet many others have not, and those that are published being in small pamphlets are more liable to be lost, and we have found only one person in whose hands a complete collection of the said minutes was to be found.

We wish all our preachers who sell our books, and especially the book stewards, to make themselves acquainted with their contents, that the people may be informed of what they are about to purchase.

Botetourt, May 24th, 1794.

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M I N U T E S

OF SOME

C O N V E R S A T I O N S

BETWEEN THE

P R E A C H E R S

IN CONNECTION WITH

The Rev. Mr. John Wesley.

P H I L A D E L P H I A,

June, 1773.



THE following queries were proposed to every preacher :

1. Ought not the authority of Mr. Wesley and that conference, to extend to the preachers and people in America, as well as in Great-Britain and Ireland?

Answ. Yes.

2. Ought not the doctrine and discipline of the Methodists, as contained in the minutes, to be the sole rule of our conduct who labour, in the connection with Mr. Wesley, in America?

Answ. Yes.

3. If so, does it not follow, that if any preachers deviate from the minutes, we can have no fellowship with them till they change their conduct?

Answ. Yes.

The following rules were agreed to by all the preachers present :

1. Every preacher who acts in connection with Mr. Wesley and the brethren who labour in America, is strictly to avoid administering the ordinances of baptism and the Lord's supper.

2. All the people among whom we labour to be earnestly exhorted to attend the church, and to receive the ordinances there ; but in a particular manner to press the people in Maryland and Virginia, to the observance of this minute.

3. No person or persons to be admitted to our love-feasts oftener than twice or thrice, unless they become members ; and none to be admitted to the society meetings more than thrice.

4. None of the preachers in America to reprint any of Mr. Wesley's books, without his authority (when it can be got) and the consent of their brethren.

5. Robert Williams to sell the books he has already printed, but to print no more, unless under the above restriction.

6. Every preacher who acts as an assistant, to send an account of the work once in six months to the general assistant.

Quest. 1. How are the preachers stationed ?

<i>New-York,</i>	Thomas Rankin,	} to change in 4 mons.
<i>Philadelphia,</i>	George Shadford,	
<i>New-Jersey,</i>	John King,	}
	William Waters.	
	Francis Asbury,	}
<i>Baltimore,</i>	Robert Strawbridge,	
	Abraham Whitworth,	
	Joseph Yerbery.	}
<i>Norfolk,</i>	Richard Wright.	
<i>Petersburg,</i>	Robert Williams.	

Quest. 2. What number are there in the society ?

Ans.

<i>Answ.</i>	New-York	-	180
	Philadelphia	-	180
	New-Jersey	-	200
	Maryland	-	500
	Virginia	-	100
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OF SOME CONVERSATIONS

BETWEEN THE PREACHERS

IN CONNECTION WITH

The Rev. Mr. John Wesley.

PHILADELPHIA,

May 25th, 1774.

Quest. 1. WHO are admitted this year?

<i>Ans.</i> William Waters	Philip Gatch
Abraham Whitworth	Philip Ebert.
Joseph Yerbery	

Quest. 2. Who are admitted on trial?

<i>Ans.</i> William Duke	Isaac Rollins
John Wade	Robert Lindsay
Daniel Ruff	Samuel Spragg.
Edward Drumgole,	

Quest. 3. Who are Assistants this year?

<i>Ans.</i> Thomas Rankin	Abraham Whitworth
Francis Asbury	Daniel Ruff
George Shadford	William Waters
Robert Williams	Philip Gatch.
John King	

Quest. 4.

Quest. 4. Are there any objections to any of the Preachers?

Answ. They were examined one by one.

Quest. 5. How are the Preachers stationed this year?

<i>Answ.</i> New-York,	Francis Asbury,	} to change in 3 mons.
Philadelphia,	Thomas Rankin,	
Trenton,	William Waters.	
Greenwich,	Philip Ebert.	
Chester,	Daniel Ruff,	} to change with Wm. Waters and P. Ebert.
	Joseph Yerbery,	
Kent,	Abraham Whitworth.	
	George Shadford,	
Baltimore,	Edward Drumgole,	
	Richard Webster,	
	Robert Lindsay.	
Frederick,	Philip Gatch,	
	William Duke.	
Norfolk,	John King.	
	John Wade,	
Brunswick,	Isaac Rollins,	
	Samuel Spragg.	

All the preachers to change at half the year's end.

Quest. 6. What number are there in society?

<i>Answ.</i> New-York	-	-	222
Philadelphia	-	-	204
New-Jersey	-	-	257
Chester	-	-	36
Baltimore	-	-	738
Frederick	-	-	175
Norfolk	-	-	73
Brunswick	-	-	218
Kent	-	-	150

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This Conference agreed to the following particulars.

I. Every

1. Every preacher who is received into full connection, is to have the use and property of his horse, which any of the circuits may furnish him with.

2. Every preacher to be allowed £.6 Pennsylvania currency per quarter, and his travelling charges besides.

3. For every assistant to make a general collection at Easter, in the circuits where they labour; to be applied to the sinking of the debts on the houses, and relieving the preachers in want.

4. Wherever Thomas Rankin spends his time, he is to be assisted by those circuits.

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OF SOME CONVERSATIONS

BETWEEN THE PREACHERS

IN CONNECTION WITH

The Rev. Mr. John Wesley.

PHILADELPHIA,

May 17th, 1775.

Quest. 1. WHAT Preachers are admitted this year?

<i>Answ.</i> William Duke	Edward Drumgole
John Wade	Isaac Rollins
Daniel Ruff	Samuel Spragg.

Quest. 2. Who are admitted upon trial?

<i>Answ.</i> John Cooper	Robert Lindsay
William Glendenning.	

Quest. 3. Who act as Assistants this year?

<i>Answ.</i> Thomas Rankin	Edward Drumgole
Francis Asbury	William Waters
George Shadford	Philip Gatch
James Dempster	Daniel Ruff.
Martin Rodda	

Quest. 4. What numbers are there in society ?

<i>Answ.</i> New-York	-	-	200
Philadelphia	-	-	190
New-Jersey	-	-	300
Chester	-	-	74
Kent	-	-	253
Baltimore	-	-	840
Frederick	-	-	336
Fairfax	-	-	30
Norfolk	-	-	125
Brunswick	-	-	800

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Quest. 5. How are the Preachers stationed ?

<i>Answ.</i> New-York,	James Dempster.
Philadelphia,	Samuel Sragg.
Trenton, }	John King,
	Daniel Ruff.
Greenwich,	William Duke.
Chesler, -	Richard Webster.
Kent, }	Philip Gatch,
	John Cooper.
	Martin Rodda,
Baltimore, }	Richard Owen,
	John Wade.
Frederick, }	William Waters,
	Robert Strawbridge.
Norfolk,	Francis Asbury.
	George Shadford,
	Robert Lindsay,
Brunswick, }	Edward Drumgole,
	Robert Williams,
	William Glendenning.

Thomas Rankin is to travel till the month of December, and then take a quarter in New-York.

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The preachers in New-Jersey to change in one quarter.

Webster and Cooper to change with Gatch and Waters, at half the year's end.

The preachers in Brunswick and Hanover, to change as the assistant thinks proper.

Thomas Rankin's deficiencies to be paid out of the yearly collection

The preachers' expenses from conference to their circuits, to be paid out of the yearly collection.

A general fast for the prosperity of the work, and for the peace of America, on Tuesday the 18th of July.

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OF SOME CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN THE PREACHERS

IN CONNECTION WITH

The Rev. Mr. John Wesley.

BALTIMORE,

May 21st, 1776.

Quest. 1. WHAT Preachers are admitted this year?

<i>Answ.</i> John Cooper	Henry Kennedy
Robert Lindsay	Samuel Spragg.
William Glendenning	

Quest. 2. What Preachers are admitted on trial?

<i>Answ.</i> Nicholas Waters	Freeborn Garrettson
John Sigman	Thomas M'Clure
Joseph Hartly	Isham Tatum
Francis Poythress	William Wren.
James Foster	

Quest. 3. What Preachers act as Assistants?

<i>Answ.</i> Thomas Rankin	William Waters
Francis Asbury	Daniel Ruff
Martin Rodda	Edward Drumgole
George Shadford	Samuel Spragg.
Philip Gatch	

Quest. 4. How are the Preachers stationed?

<i>Answ.</i> New-York,	Daniel Ruff.
Philadelphia,	Samuel Spragg.

<i>New-Jersey,</i>	}	Robert Lindsay, John Cooper.
<i>Kent,</i>	}	Nicholas Waters, William Wren, Joseph Hartley.
<i>Baltimore,</i>	}	Francis Asbury, James Foster, John Wade.
<i>Frederick,</i>	}	Martin Rodda, Freeborn Garrettsen.
<i>Fairfax,</i>	}	William Waters, Thomas M'Clure, Adam Fennardson.
<i>Brunswick,</i>	}	George Shadford, William Duke, William Glendenning.
<i>Carolina,</i>	}	Edward Drumgole, Francis Poythress, Isham Tatem.
<i>Pittsylvania,</i>	}	Isaac Rollins.
<i>Hanover,</i>	}	Philip Gatch, John Sigman.

Quest. 5. What numbers are there in society?

<i>Answ.</i>	New-York	-	-	132
	Philadelphia	-	-	137
	New-Jersey	-	-	150
	Chester	-	-	104
	Baltimore	-	-	900
	Frederick	-	-	359
	Fairfax	-	-	350
	Norfolk	-	-	125
	Brunswick	-	-	1611
	North-Carolina	-	-	683
	Hanover	-	-	270
	Pittsylvania	-	-	100

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July 26th, is appointed a day of fasting.

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OF SOME CONVERSATIONS

BETWEEN THE PREACHERS

IN CONNECTION WITH

The Rev. Mr. John Wesley,

At a Preaching-House, near Deer-Creek,
in Hartford County, Maryland,

May 20th, 1777.

Quest. 1. WHAT Preachers are admitted this year?

<i>Answ.</i> Nicholas Waters	Freeborn Garretton
John Sigman	Thomas M'Clure
Joseph Hartley	Isham Tatum
James Foster	William Wren.

Quest. 2. What Preachers are admitted on trial?

<i>Answ.</i> Caleb Pedicord	William Gill
Hollis Hanson	John Littlejohn
Robert Worster	Edward Pride
Joseph Cromwell	Lee Roy Cole
Thomas Chew	John Dickins
John Tunnell	Reuben Ellis
Samuel Strong	Edward Bailey.

Quest. 3.

Quest. 3. Who act as Assistants this year?

<i>Ans.</i> Thomas Rankin	Daniel Ruff
Francis Asbury	Samuel Spragg
Martin Rodda	James Foster
George Shadford	John King
Edward Drumgole	William Duke
William Waters	William Glendenning
Philip Gatch	Robert Lindsay.

Quest. 4. Are there any objections to any of the preachers?

Ans. They were examined one by one.

Quest. 5. How are the preachers stationed?

Ans. New-York,

Philadelphia,

New-Jersey, }

Chester, }

Kent, }

Baltimore, }

Frederick, }

Fairfax, }

Hanover, }

Amelia, }

William Duke.

Henry Kennedy,
Thomas M'Clure.

Robert Lindsay.

Martin Rodda,

William Glendenning,

Joseph Cromwell,

Robert Wortler.

George Shadford,

Joseph Hartley,

John Littlejohn,

William Gill.

Samuel Spragg,

Caleb Pedicord.

Daniel Ruff,

John Cooper,

Thomas Chew,

Isaac Rollins.

James Foster,

Nicholas Waters,

Samuel Strong.

Edward Drumgole,

Joseph Rease,

Reuben Ellis.

Brunswick,

<i>Brunswick,</i>	}	William Waters,
	}	Freeborn Garrettson,
	}	John Tunnell.
<i>Suffex,</i>	}	Philip Gatch,
	}	Hollis Hanson.
<i>Pittsylvania,</i>	}	John Sigman,
	}	Isham Tatum.
<i>North Carolina,</i>	}	John King,
	}	John Dickins,
	}	Lee Roy Cole,
	}	Edward Pride.
<i>Norfolk,</i>	-	Edward Bailey.

Quest. 6. What numbers are in society?

<i>Ans. New-York</i>	-	96
Philadelphia	-	96
New-Jersey	-	160
Chester	-	136
Kent	-	720
Baltimore	-	900
Annapolis	-	120
Frederick	-	351
Fairfax	-	330
Hanover	-	262
Amelia	-	620
Brunswick	-	1360
Suffex	-	727
Pittsylvania	-	150
North Carolina	-	930

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Friday, July 25th, is appointed as a fast-day.

Quest. 7. As the present distress is such, are the preachers resolved to take no step to detach themselves from the work of God for the ensuing year?

Ans. We purpose, by the grace of God, not to take any step that may separate us from the brethren, or from the blessed work in which we are engaged.

Quest. 8.

Quest. 8. Has not the preaching of funeral sermons been carried so far, as to prostitute that venerable custom, and in some sort to render it contemptible?

Answ. Yes: Therefore let all the preachers inform every society, that we will not preach any but for those who we have reason to believe died in the fear and favour of God.

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OF SOME C O N V E R S A T I O N S

BETWEEN THE P R E A C H E R S

IN CONNECTION WITH

The Rev. Mr. John Wesley.

L E E S B U R G,

May 19th, 1778.

Quest. 1. WHAT Preachers are admitted this year?

<i>Answ.</i> Jos. Cromwell	Samuel Strong
William Gill	Thomas Chew
Thomas M'Clure	Edward Bailey
John Littlejohn	Carter Cole
John Tunnell	John Dickins.
Isham Tatum	

Quest. 2. What Preachers remain on trial?

<i>Answ.</i> Henry Willis	John Atkins
John Beck	James Kelly
Richard Ivy	Richard Ogborn
Philip Adams	Daniel Duvall.
William Moore	

Quest. 3. What Preachers act as Assistants?

Answ.

<i>Ans^w.</i> William Waters	John Littlejohn
Edward Drumgole	Francis Poythress
William Glendenning	John Dickins
James Foster	Isham Tatum
Freeborn Garrettson	Lee Roy Cole
Henry Kennedy	Reuben Ellis.

Quest. 4 Where are the Preachers stationed?

Ans^w. *New-Jersey,* Daniel Ruff.

<i>Kent,</i>	}	Freeborn Garrettson,
	}	Joseph Hartley,
	}	John Littlejohn.
<i>Carolina,</i>	}	John Cooper,
	}	Henry Kennedy,
	}	William Duke.
<i>Baltimore,</i>	}	Joseph Cromwell,
	}	John Tunnell,
	}	Thomas McClure,
	}	John Beck.
<i>Fairfax,</i>	}	William Waters,
	}	Daniel Duvall.
<i>Berkley,</i>	}	Edward Bailey.
<i>Hanover,</i>	}	Francis Poythress,
	}	Nicholas Waters.
<i>Fluvanna,</i>	}	Isham Tatum,
	}	Richard Ivy.
<i>Amelia,</i>	}	Reuben Ellis,
	}	Samuel Strong.
<i>Brunswick,</i>	}	John Dickins,
	}	Edward Pride.
<i>Suffex,</i>	-	Edward Drumgole.
<i>Lunenburg,</i>	-	James Foster.
<i>Roan-Oak,</i>	-	William Glendenning.
<i>Tar-River,</i>	-	
<i>New-Hope,</i>	-	
<i>Pittsylvania,</i>	}	William Gill,
	}	John Major,
	}	Henry Willis.
<i>James-City,</i>	-	Isaac Rollins.

Quest. 5.

Quest. 5. What numbers are in society ?

Answ. 6095.

Quest. 6. Who shall act as General Stewards ?

Answ. William Moore, Henry Fry.

Quest. 7. What was done with the balance of the collection ?

Answ. Lodged with Henry Fry.

Quest. 8. What shall the Preachers be allowed for quakerage ?

Answ. Eight Pounds Virginia currency.

The last Friday in August is appointed for a fast-day.

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The text is written in a cursive hand, characteristic of the period. It appears to be a formal document, possibly a letter or a report, given the structured nature of the paragraphs. The first line of the first paragraph is particularly prominent, suggesting it might be a title or a key point. The subsequent lines follow in a similar cursive style, with some variations in ink density and line spacing. The overall layout is clean, with clear demarcations between the different sections of text.

M I N U T E S

OF SOME C O N V E R S A T I O N S

BETWEEN THE P R E A C H E R S

IN CONNECTION WITH

The Rev. Mr. John Wesley.

Kent County, Delaware,

April 28th, 1779.

Quest. 1. WHAT Preacher is admitted this year?
Ans. Caleb Pedicord.

Quest. 2. Who remain on trial?
Ans. Joshua Dudley | Richard Garrettson
Philip Cox | Lewis Alfrey.

Quest. 3. Who desist from travelling?
Ans. Robert Cloud | William Duke.

Quest. 4. What Preachers act as Assistants?
Francis Albury | Freeborn Garrettson.
Daniel Ruff | Thomas M'Clure
Joseph Hartley | Caleb Pedicord.

Quest. 5. Are there any objections to any of the Preachers?

Ans. They were examined one by one.

Quest. 6.

Quest. 6. Who of the Preachers are willing to take the Station this conference shall place them in, and continue till next conference?

<i>Answ.</i> Francis Asbury		Lewis Alfrey
Daniel Ruff		Joshua Dudley
Freeborn Garrettson		Joseph Cromwell
Thomas M'Clure		Micajah Debruler
John Cooper		William Waters
Joseph Hartley		Thomas Chew
Philip Cox		William Gill
Caleb Pedicord		Richard Garrettson.

Quest. 7. How are the Preachers to be stationed?

Answ.

New-Jersey,	}	Philip Cox,
and		Joshua Dudley,
Philadelphia,		Daniel Ruff.
Chester,		Joseph Cromwell.
Matichen,	}	John Cooper.
		Francis Asbury,
		Caleb Pedicord,
Delaware,		Freeborn Garrettson,
	}	Lewis Alfrey,
		Micajah Debruler.
		Joseph Hartley,
Kent,		Thomas M'Clure.
	}	William Waters,
		Thomas Chew,
Baltimore,		William Adams.
		Richard Garrettson,
Frederick,	}	William Glendenning.

No helper to make any alteration in the circuit, or appoint preaching in any new place, without consulting the assistant.

Every exhorter and local preacher to go by the directions of the assistants where, and only where, they shall appoint.

Quest. 8. Why was the Delaware conference held?

Answ.

Ans. For the convenience of the preachers in the northern stations, that we all might have an opportunity of meeting in conference; it being unadvisable for brother Asbury and brother Ruff, with some others, to attend in Virginia; it is considered also as preparatory to the conference in Virginia.—Our sentiments to be given in by brother Waters.

Quest. 9. *Ought not every travelling Preacher to meet the class wherever he preaches?*

Ans. Yes: if possible.

Quest. 10. *Shall we guard against a separation from the church, directly or indirectly?*

Ans. By all means.

Quest. 11. *What shall be done with the children?*

Ans. Meet them once a fortnight, and examine the parents with regard to their conduct towards them.

Quest. 12. *Ought not brother Asbury to act as General Assistant in America?*

Ans. He ought: 1st, on account of his age; 2d, because originally appointed by Mr. Wesley; 3d, being joined with Messrs. Rankin and Shadford, by express order from Mr. Wesley.

Quest. 13. *How far shall his power extend?*

Ans. On hearing every preacher for and against what is in debate, the right of determination shall rest with him according to the minutes.



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OF SOME CONVERSATIONS

BETWEEN THE PREACHERS

IN CONNECTION WITH

The Rev. Mr. John Wesley.

F L U V A N N A,

May 18th, 1779.

Quest. 1. W H O are admitted on trial?

<i>Answ.</i> Samuel Row	Thomas Morris
Greenberry Green	William Adams
Charles Hopkins	John Haggerty
Henry Ogborn	

Quest. 2. Are there any objections to any of the preachers?

Answ. They were examined one by one.

Quest. 3. Who act as Assistants?

<i>Answ.</i> James Kelly	Charles Hopkins
Andrew Yergain	Lee Roy Cole
John Dickins	William Gill
Reuben Ellis	William Glendenning
Isham Tatum	William Waters.
Francis Poythress	

Quest. 4.

Quest. 4. How are the Preachers stationed?

Ans.

<i>New-Hope,</i>	}	James Kelly, Philip Adams.
<i>Tar-River,</i>	}	Andrew Yergain, William Moore.
<i>Roan-Oak,</i>	}	John Dickins, Henry Willis.
<i>Mecklenburg,</i>	}	Reuben Ellis, John Sigman.
<i>Brunswick,</i>	}	Thomas Morris, Richard Ivy,
<i>Suffex,</i>	}	James Morris. Francis Poythress,
	}	Stith Parham, John Beck.
<i>Pittsylvania,</i>	}	Lee Roy Cole, Greenberry Green,
	}	John Atkins.
<i>Amelia,</i>	}	Isham Tatum, Samuel Row.
<i>Fluvanna,</i>	}	Carter Cole, Nelson Read.
<i>Hanover,</i>	}	Charles Hopkins, John Major.
<i>Berkley,</i>	}	John Tunnell, John Haggerty.
<i>Frederick,</i>	}	William Glendenning, Freeborn Garrettson.
<i>Fairfax,</i>	}	William Gill, Edward Bailey.
<i>Baltimore,</i>	}	William Waters, Thomas Chew, William Adams.

Quest. 5. What numbers are there in society?

<i>Ans.</i> New-Jersey	-	140
Philadelphia	-	89

Chester	-	-	90
Delaware	-	-	795
Kent	-	-	493
Baltimore	-	-	900
Frederick	-	-	480
Fairfax	-	-	309
Berkley	-	-	191
Fluvanna	-	-	300
Hanover	-	-	281
Amelia	-	-	470
Suffex	-	-	655
Brunswick	-	-	656
Mecklenburg	.	.	498
Pittsylvania	-	-	500
Roan-Oak	-	-	470
Tar-River	-	-	455
New-Hope	-	-	542
Charlotte	-	-	186
James City	-	-	77

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Quest. 6. What shall be done with the Preachers who were upon trial last year?

Answ. To be continued till next conference.

Quest. 7. Shall any Preacher receive quarterage who is able to travel, and does not?

Answ. No.

Quest. 8. In what light shall we view those Preachers who receive money by subscription?

Answ. As excluded from the Methodist connection.

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OF SOME CONVERSATIONS

BETWEEN THE PREACHERS

IN CONNECTION WITH

The Rev. Mr. John Wesley.

BALTIMORE,

April 24th, 1780.



Quest. 1. WHAT Preachers do now agree to sit in conference on the original plan, as Methodists?

Answ. Francis Asbury

Daniel Ruff

Caleb Pedicord

John Cooper

Richard Garrettson

Thomas Foster

John Haggerty

Joseph Cromwell

Philip Cox

Joseph Hartley

Freeborn Garrettson

William Gill

Philip Adams

Thomas McClure

George Moore

Lewis Alfrey

Stephen Black

Micajah Debruler

Thomas Chew

William Waters

John Tunnell

William Glendenning

John James

James Martin

Quest. 2.

Quest. 2. Who are admitted upon trial?

<i>Answ.</i> Thomas Foster	James Martin
Caleb Bowyer	George Mair.
John James	

Quest. 3. What Preachers are admitted into connection?

<i>Answ.</i> Joshua Dudley	Micajah Debruler
Richard Garrettson	Philip Cox
John Haggerty	

Quest. 4. Are there any objections to any of the Preachers?

Answ. They were examined one by one.

Quest. 5. Who act as Assistants this year?

<i>Answ.</i> Francis Asbury	Thomas Chew
William Waters	William Gill
Daniel Ruff	William Glendenning
Joseph Hartley	John Haggerty
Freeborn Garrettson	Philip Cox.
Caleb Pedicord	

Quest. 6. How are the Preachers stationed?

Answ.

<i>New-Jersey,</i>	}	William Gill,
	}	John James,
	}	Richard Garrettson.
<i>Philadelphia,</i>	}	John Cooper,
	}	George Mair.
<i>Delaware,</i>	}	Joseph Cromwell,
	}	Caleb Pedicord.
<i>Suffex,</i>	}	William Glendenning,
	}	James Cromwell.
	}	Thomas Chew,
<i>Kent,</i>	}	James Martin,
	}	George Moore.
<i>Dorsett,</i>	-	Joseph Hartley,
	}	Daniel Ruff,
<i>Baltimore,</i>	}	Freeborn Garrettson,
	}	Joshua Dudley.

Frederick,

<i>Frederick,</i>	}	William Waters,
		Thomas Foster.
<i>Fairfax,</i>	-	Philip Cox.
	}	Micajah Debruler,
<i>Berkley,</i>		John Haggerty,
		John Tunnell.

All the preachers to change after six months.

Quest. 7. Ought not all the *Assistants* to see to the settling of all the preaching houses by trustees, and order the said trustees to meet once in half a year, and keep a register of their proceedings; if there are any vacancies choose new trustees for the better security of the houses, and let all the deeds be drawn in substance after that in the printed minutes?

Ans. Yes.

Quest. 8. Shall all the travelling Preachers take a license from every conference, importing that they are Assistants or helpers in connection with us?

Ans. Yes.

Quest. 9. Shall brother Asbury sign them in behalf of the conference?

Ans. Yes.

Quest. 10. Ought it to be strictly enjoined on all our local Preachers and Exhorters, that no one presume to speak in public without taking a note every quarter (if required) and be examined by the Assistant with respect to his life, his qualification and reception?

Ans. Yes.

Quest. 11. Ought not all our Preachers to make conscience of rising at four, and if not, yet at five, and is it not a shame for a Preacher to be in bed till six in the morning?

Ans. Undoubtedly they ought.

Quest. 12. Shall we continue in close connection with the church, and press our people to a closer communion with her?

Ans. Yes.

Quest. 13. Will this conference grant the privilege to all the friendly clergy of the church of England, at the request or desire of the people, to preach or administer the ordinances in our preaching houses or chapels?

Answ. Yes.

Quest. 14. What provision shall we make for the wives of married Preachers?

Answ. They shall receive an equivalent with their husbands in quarterage, if they stand in need.

Quest. 15. Ought not our Preachers, if possible, to speak to every person one by one in the family where they lodge, before prayer, if time will permit; or give a family exhortation after reading a chapter?

Answ. They ought.

Quest. 16. Ought not this conference to require those travelling Preachers who hold slaves, to give promises, to set them free?

Answ. Yes,

Quest. 17. Does this conference acknowledge that slave-keeping is contrary to the laws of God, man, and nature, and hurtful to society, contrary to the dictates of conscience and pure religion, and doing that which we would not others should do to us and ours?—Do we pass our disapprobation on all our friends who keep slaves, and advise their freedom?

Answ. Yes.

Quest. 18. Shall we recommend our quarterly meetings to be held on Saturdays and Sundays when convenient?

Answ. Agreed.

Quest. 19. Shall not the Friday following every quarter day, be appointed as a day of fasting?

Answ. Yes.

Quest. 20. Does this whole conference disapprove the step our brethren have taken in Virginia?

Answ. Yes.

Quest. 21. Do we look upon them no longer as Methodists in connection with Mr. Wesley and us till they come back?

Answ.

Answ. Agreed.

Quest. 22. Shall brother Asbury, Garrettson and Waters attend the Virginia conference, and inform them of our proceedings in this, and receive their answer?

Answ. Yes.

Quest. 23. Do we disapprove of the practice of distilling grain into liquor? Shall we disown our friends who will not renounce the practice?

Answ. Yes.

Quest. 24. What shall the conference do in case of brother Asbury's death or absence?

Answ. Meet once a year, and act according to the minutes.

Quest. 25. Ought not the Assistant to meet the Negroes himself, and appoint as helpers in his absence, proper white persons, and not suffer them to stay late and meet by themselves?

Answ. Yes.

Quest. 26. What must be the conditions of our union with our Virginia brethren?

Answ. To suspend all their administrations for one year, and all meet together in Baltimore.

Quest. 27. How are the Preachers stationed in Virginia?

Answ.

<i>Fluvanna,</i>	}	William Moore,
	}	Greenberry Green.
<i>Hanover,</i>	}	Isham Tatum,
	}	Charles Hopkins.
<i>Amelia,</i>	}	Philip Adams,
	}	Nelson Reed.
<i>Suffex,</i>	}	Lee Roy Cole,
	}	Edward Pride,
	}	Samuel Watson.
<i>Mecklenburg,</i>	}	Henry Willis,
	}	Moses Parks.

Pittsylvania,

<i>Pittsylvania,</i>	}	Richard Ivy,
		Carter Cole,
		William Partridge.
<i>Yadkin,</i>	-	Andrew Yergain.
<i>New-Hope,</i>	}	Francis Poythrefts,
		John Major.
<i>Tar-River,</i>	-	James Kelly.
<i>Roan-Oak,</i>	}	John Dickins,
		Henry Ogbourn.

Quest. 28. What numbers are there in society ?

<i>Answ.</i>	New-Jersey	-	-	196
	Philadelphia	-	-	90
	Chester	-	-	100
	Delaware	-	-	150
	Suffex	-	-	260
	Kent	-	-	725
	Baltimore	-	-	880
	Frederick	-	-	524
	Fairfax	-	-	361
	Berkley	-	-	205
	Hanover	-	-	351
	Fluvanna	-	-	342
	Amelia	-	-	506
	Suffex	-	-	620
	Brunswick	-	-	454
	Mecklenburg	-	-	455
	Pittsylvania	-	-	634
	Yadkin	-	-	21
	New-Hope	-	-	455
	Tar-River	-	-	455
	Roan-Oak	-	-	480

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M I N U T E S

OF SOME C O N V E R S A T I O N S

BETWEEN THE P R E A C H E R S

IN CONNECTION WITH

The Rev. Mr. John Wesley,

Held at Choptank, State of Delaware,

April 16th, 1781,

And adjourned to Baltimore the 24th of said month.

Quest. 1. WHAT Preachers are now determined, after mature consideration, close observation, and earnest prayer, to preach the old Methodist doctrine, and strictly enforce the discipline, as contained in the notes, sermons, and minutes, as published by Mr. Wesley, so far as they respect both preachers and people, according to the knowledge we have of them, and the ability God shall give, and firmly resolved to discountenance a separation among either preachers or people?

<i>Ans.</i> Francis Asbury	Joseph Hartley
William Waters	Caleb Pedicord
William Glendenning	Thomas Chew
John Cooper	William Gill

Samuel Row
 Joseph Cromwell
 Freeborn Garrettson
 Richard Garrettson
 John Haggerty
 Joshua Dudley
 Caleb Boyer
 Thomas Foster
 John Tunnell
 Micajah Debruler
 Thomas M'Clure
 James White
 Joseph Everett
 George Maie
 John Atkins
 David Abbott

Francis Poythress
 Lee Roy Cole
 Edward Morris
 Reuben Ellis
 John James
 John Coleman
 Joseph Wyatt
 Michael Ellis
 Richard Ivy
 William Partridge
 Nelson Reed
 James Martin
 Stephen Black
 Henry Willis
 Henry Metcalf.

Quest. 2. Why was conference began at Choptank?

Ans. To examine those who could not go to Baltimore, and to provide supplies for the circuits where the Lord is more immediately pouring out his Spirit.

Quest. 3. Is there any precedent for this in the economy of Methodism?

Ans. Yes: Mr. Wesley generally holds a conference in Ireland for the same purposes.

Quest. 4. Should we take the preachers into full connection after one year's trial?—Or, would it not be better after considering how young they are in age, grace, and gifts, to try them two years, unless it be one of double testimony, of whom there is a general approbation?

Ans. Yes.

Quest. 5. Shall any Assistant take a local Preacher to travel in the circuit, in the vacancy of conference, without consulting brother Asbury, or the Elder Assistants near him, by word or letter.

Ans. No.

Quest. 6. If any former Assistant has had just cause for removing preaching from any house, should his successor re-
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turn to it, without consulting brother Asbury or the Assistants in the circuits near him; and if it remains doubtful, leave it till next conference?

Answ. Agreed.

Quest. 7. Ought not the Preachers to examine every person admitted upon trial, for three months, first, whether they have been turned out, and if so, let them not be received without they have evidenced repentance, and can be generally recommended?

Answ. Yes.

Quest. 8. Ought not the Preachers often to read the rules of the societies, the character of a Methodist, and the plain account, if they have got them?

Answ. Yes.

Quest. 9. What Preachers are admitted?

<i>Answ.</i> John Coleman	Joseph Everett
James White	David Abbott
Edward Morris	Jeremiah Lambert
Samuel Watson	Henry Metcalf.

Quest. 10. Who remain on trial?

<i>Answ.</i> Isaac Rollins	Jonathan Forrest
John James	Moses Park
Stephen Mack	Henry Ogboorn
Joseph Wyatt	James Mallory
George Mair	Beverly Allen
Ignatius Pigman	James Morris.
Charles Scott	

Quest. 11. Who are admitted into connection?

<i>Answ.</i> Samuel Row	Reuben Ellis
James Cromwell	Richard Ivy
James Martin	Nelson Read.
Henry Willis	

Quest. 12. Who act as Assistants this year?

<i>Answ.</i> Francis Asbury	Thomas McClure
William Waters	William Gill
William Glendenning	Freeborn Garrettson
Lee Roy Cole	Caleb Pedicord

Thomas

Thomas Chew
 Henry Willis
 Richard Ivy
 Reuben Ellis
 Nelson Reed
 Francis Poythres

Richard Garrettson
 Micajah Debruler
 Joshua Dudley
 John Cooper
 James Martin

Quest. 13. How are the Preachers stationed this year?
Answ.

<i>West Jersey,</i>	}	Caleb Pedicord, Joseph Cromwell.
<i>East-Jersey,</i>	}	James Cromwell, Henry Metcalf.
<i>Pennsylvania,</i>	}	William Glendenning, Samuel Row, Isaac Rollins.
<i>Kent, D.</i>	}	William Gill, John Coleman, Lee Roy Cole, John Tunnell.
<i>Somerset,</i>	}	Thomas M'Clure, Joseph Wyatt, Joseph Everett, John Atkins, George Moore.
<i>Dorset,</i>	}	Thomas Chew, Stephen Black.
<i>Talbot,</i>	}	Henry Willis, Jeremiah Lambert.
<i>Kent, M.</i>	}	Richard Ivy, David Abbot,
<i>York,</i>	-	Philip Cox.
<i>Baltimore,</i>	}	William Waters, John Haggerty, Samuel Watson.
<i>Frederick,</i>	}	Reuben Ellis, Charles Scott, Jonathan Forrest.

Calvert,

<i>Calvert,</i>	-	Nelson Reed.
<i>Fairfax,</i>	}	Francis Poythress,
	}	Michael Ellis.
<i>Berkley,</i>	}	Ignatius Pigman,
	}	Edward Morris,
	}	William Partridge.
<i>Hanover,</i>	-	Richard Garrettson.
<i>Fluvanna,</i>	}	Micajah Debruler,
	}	Samuel Dudley.
<i>Amelia,</i>	}	Joshua Dudley,
	}	John James.
<i>Suffex,</i>	}	Freeborn Garrettson,
	}	James Morris.
<i>Isle of White,</i>	}	Beverly Allen,
	}	James Haw.
<i>Brunswick,</i>	-	Caleb Boyer.
<i>Mecklenburg,</i>	}	James Martin,
	}	James White.
<i>Roan-Oak,</i>	}	Enoch Matson,
	}	Adam Cloud.
<i>Tar-River,</i>	}	Henry Ogbourn,
	}	John Cooper.
<i>New-Hope,</i>		Philip Bruce.
<i>Pittsylvania,</i>	}	Thomas Foster,
	}	James Mallory.

Quest. 14. Ought not every Assistant to give a circumstantial account of the circuit, in writing, both of societies and local Preachers, with a plan, to his successor?

Ans. Yes.

Quest. 15. Ought not each Assistant to inform all our societies in his circuit, of the sum that is to be made up for the Preachers' quarterage, exclusive of travelling expenses, and press them to give according to their several abilities?

Ans. Yes.

Quest. 16. What numbers are there in society?

<i>Ans. New-Jersey</i>	-	512
<i>Pennsylvania</i>	-	271

Delaware

Delaware	-	-	1052
Somerfet	-	-	500
Kent	-	-	923
Dorset	-	-	280
Baltimore	-	-	1000
Frederick	-	-	606
Calvert	-	-	73
Little York	-	-	90
Fairfax	-	-	301
Berkley	-	-	306
Hanover	-	-	351
Fluvanna	-	-	342
Amelia	-	-	506
Suffex	-	-	606
Brunswick	-	-	477
Mecklenburg	-	-	350
Roan-Oak	-	-	470
Tar-River	-	-	358
New-Hope	-	-	455
Pittsylvania	-	-	600
Marsh	-	-	50
Edenton	-	-	60

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Quest. 17. What proper method should be taken, supposing any difference should arise in dealing between our brethren?

Ans. Let the Assistant preacher at quarterly meeting consult with the Steward, in appointing proper persons to examine into the circumstances, and if there be any suspicion of injustice, or inability in the referees, to appoint men of more skill and probity, and the parties to abide by their decision, or be excluded the society.

Quest. 18. How many general fasts shall we have this year?

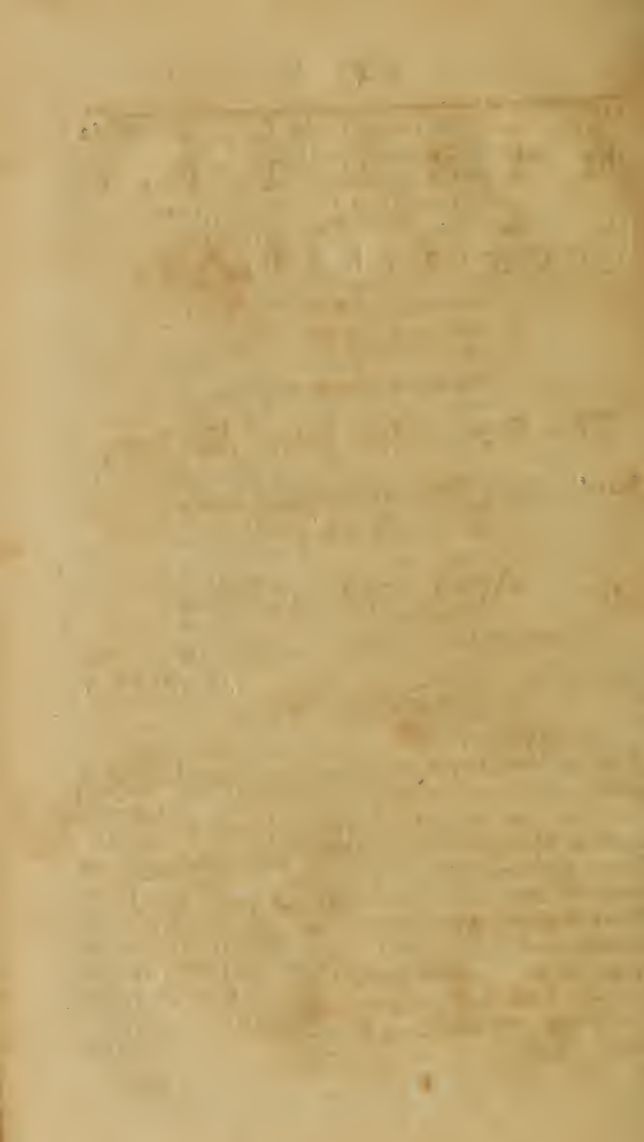
Ans.

Answ. Four, as follows: the first Thursdays in June, September, January and April.

Quest. 19. Who desist from travelling this year?

<i>Answ.</i> John Dickins	Greenberry Green
Isham Tatum	Daniel Ruff.
William Moore	

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M I N U T E S

OF SOME CONVERSATIONS

BETWEEN THE PREACHERS

IN CONNECTION WITH

The Rev. Mr. John Wesley,

Held at Ellis's Preaching-House, in Suffex County,
VIRGINIA,

April 17th, 1782,

And adjourned to Baltimore, May 21st.

*Quest. 1. WHAT Preachers are admitted into con-
nection?*

Ans. Caleb Boyer

Thomas Foster

Henry Ogbourn

James White

James Mallory

Beverly Allen

James Haw

Edward Morris

William Partridge

Jeremiah Lambert

John Coleman

Ignatius Pigman

Joseph Everett.

Quest. 2. What Preachers remain on trial?

Ans. Enoch Matson

Adam Cloud

Philip Bruce

Ira Ellis

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Caleb

Caleb Cole
John Easter
John Magary
John Major
Samuel Dudley
James Gibbons
Henry Metcalf

Samuel Watfon
Peter Moriarty
Jonathan Forrest
Charles Scott
Joseph Wyatt
George Mair
David Abbott.

Quest. 3. What Preachers are admitted on trial?

Ans. John Baldwin
Henry Jones
George Kimble
Thomas Haskins

Hugh Roberts
Woolman Hickson
William Thomas.

Quest. 4. Who act as Assistants?

Ans.

Richard Garrettson
Micajah Debruler
James Martin
Beverly Allen
Caleb Boyer
James White
Henry Ogbourn
James Mallory
Freeborn Garrettson
Francis Asbury
William Waters
John Tunnell
William Glendenning
Reuben Ellis

John Haggerty
Philip Cox
Thomas Chew
Caleb Pedicord
Nelson Read
Samuel Row
Francis Poythress
William Gill
Lee Roy Cole
Henry Willis
Ignatius Pigman
Richard Ivy
Joshua Dudley
John Cooper.

Quest. 5. Are there any objections to any of the Preachers?

Ans. They were examined one by one.

Quest. 6. How are the Preachers stationed?

Ans.

New-Hope,

Tar-River,

- James White.
} Mi ajah Debruler,
Adam Cloud.

Tadkin,

<i>Yadkin,</i>	}	John Cooper, Enoch Matson, George Kimble.
<i>Roan-Oak,</i>	}	James Martin, Thomas Foster.
<i>Pittsylvania,</i>	}	Caleb Bowyer, Ira Ellis, Henry Jones.
<i>Mecklenburg,</i>	}	James Kelly, Thomas Chew.
<i>Brunswick,</i>	}	Richard Garrettson, Joseph Cromwell, Jeremiah Lambert, Peter Moriarty.
<i>Isle of White,</i>	}	Philip Bruce, James Gibbons.
<i>South Branch,</i>	}	James Mallory, John Baldwin, James Haw.
<i>Fairfax,</i>	}	Ignatius Pigman, Samuel Watson.
<i>Calvert,</i>	}	John Haggerty, Jonathan Forrest.
<i>Frederick,</i>	}	Philip Cox, Michael Ellis.
<i>Baltimore,</i>	}	Reuben Ellis, Thomas Haskins, Hugh Roberts.
<i>Kent, M.</i>	}	Lee Roy Cole, Joseph Wyatt.
<i>Somerset,</i>	}	Freeborn Garrettson, Woolman Hickson, John Magary.
<i>Dorset,</i>	}	Samuel Row, Henry Willis.
<i>Talbot,</i>	}	Francis Poythress, Edward Morris.

Suffex,

<i>Suffex,</i>	}	William Gill, Moses Park, Henry Metcalf, David Abbott.
<i>Little-York,</i>	}	Nelson Read, John Major.
<i>Lancaster,</i>	-	William Partridge,
<i>Pennsylvania,</i>	}	William Glendenning, John Coleman.
<i>East-Jersey,</i>	}	John Tunnell, Joseph Everett.
<i>West-Jersey,</i>	}	Joshua Dudley, Richard Ivy.
<i>Suffex,</i>	}	Caleb Pedicord, Samuel Dudley.
<i>Hanover,</i>	}	Henry Ogbourn, John Easter.
<i>Fluvanna,</i>	}	William Waters, James Cromwell.

Quest. 7. How are the Preachers to change after six months ?

Ans. Roan-Oak, Tar-River and New-Hope to change among themselves, only Jeremiah Lambert with Thomas Foster ; Pittsylvania and Yadkin, Brunswick and Mecklenburg ; Suffex and the Isle of White, only Beverly Allen to Hanover ; Fluvanna with Hanover ; East and West-Jersey change ; brother Glendenning and brother Tunnell ; John Coleman and Nelson Read to change ; if brother Coleman goes to Virginia brother Read to take his place ; Reuben Ellis to remain in Baltimore till conference : Hugh Roberts with Michael Ellis, Thomas Haskins with John Haggerty ; the preachers in the peninsula change at the full quarterly meeting.

Quest. 8. What numbers are there in society ?

Ans. East-Jersey - 282

West-Jersey - 375

Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania	-	291
Lancaster	-	70
Little-York	-	166
Delaware	-	852
Suffex	-	595
Talbot	-	660
Dorset	-	780
Somerſet	-	455
Kent, M.	-	610
Baltimore	-	993
Frederick	-	491
Calvert	-	305
Fairfax	-	262
South Branch	-	434
New-Hope	-	251
Tar-River	-	300
Roan-Oak	-	450
Yadkin and Pittſylvania	}	491
Mecklenburg		
Brunſwick	-	671
Suffex	-	400
Iſle of White	-	366
Hanover	-	360
Fluvanna	-	320
Marſh Amelia and Buckingham	}	200

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Queſt. 9. *What is the yearly collection ?*

Anſw. £. 42 16 3.

Queſt. 10. *How was it expended ?*

Anſw. On the neceſſities of the preachers.

Queſt. 11. *What ſhall be done to revive the work ?*

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Anſw.

Ans. Hold evening meetings, and preach in the mornings in places convenient.

Quest. 12. What shall be done to get a regular and impartial supply for the maintenance of the Preachers?

Ans. Let every thing they receive, either in money or cloathing, be valued by the preachers and stewards at quarterly meeting, and an account of the deficiency given in to the conference, that he may be supplied by the profits arising from the books and the conference collections.

Quest. 13. How shall we more effectually guard against disorderly travelling Preachers?

Ans. Write at the bottom of every certificate, The authority this conveys is limited to next conference.

Quest. 14. How must we do if a Preacher will not desist after being found guilty?

Ans. Let the nearest Assistant stop him immediately. In brother Asbury's absence let the preachers inform the people of these rules.

Quest. 15. How shall we more effectually guard against disorderly local Preachers?

Ans. Write at the bottom of the certificate, This conveys authority no longer than you walk uprightly, and submit to the direction of the Assistant Preacher.

Quest. 16. By what rule shall we conduct ourselves towards the preachers and people that separate from us?

Ans. Disown them.

Quest. 17. How shall we more effectually guard against private impostors?

Ans. Let no person remove from North to South without a certificate from the Assistant Preacher; and let no one be received into society without.

Quest. 18. Shall we not erase that question proposed in Deer Creek conference respecting the ordinances?

Ans. Undoubtedly we must: It can have no place in our minutes while we stand to our agreement signed in conference; it is therefore disannulled.

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The Conference acknowledge their obligations to the Rev. Mr. Jarratt, for his kind and friendly services to the preachers and people, from our first entrance into Virginia, and more particularly for attending our conference in Suffex, in public and private ; and advise the Preachers in the South to consult him and take his advice in the absence of brother Asbury.

Quest. 19. Do the brethren in conference unanimously choose brother Asbury to act according to Mr. Wesley's original appointment, and preside over the American conferences and the whole work ?

Ans. Yes.

Quest. 20. Who desists from travelling this year ?

Ans. John James.

Quest. 21. How many General Fasti shall we have this year ?

Ans. Four : the 1st Thursdays in June, September, January, and April.

Quest. 22. When and where shall our next conferences be held ?

Ans. For Virginia the first Tuesday in May, in Baltimore the last Wednesday in May.

Every Assistant Preacher must so order his circuit, that either himself or one of his helpers may travel with Mr. Asbury in the circuit.

M I N U T E S

OF SOME CONVERSATIONS

BETWEEN THE PREACHERS

IN CONNECTION WITH

The Rev. Mr. John Wesley,

Held at Ellis's Preaching-House,

May 6th, 1783,

And adjourned to Baltimore the 27th.

Quest. 1. WHAT Preachers are admitted?

<i>Ans.</i> Enoch Matson	Peter Moriarty
Philip Bruce	James Gibbons
Samuel Dudley	Joseph Wyatt
John Easter	William Thomas
Ira Ellis	George Mair
John Magary	Woolman Hickson
John Major	Jonathan Forrest
Henry Metcalf	Michael Ellis
Samuel Watfon	James Morris.

Quest. 2. What Preachers remain on trial?

<i>Ans.</i> John Baldwin	Thomas Haskins
Henry Jones	Hugh Roberts
George Kimble	James Thomas

Matthew

Matthew Greentree
Thomas Curtis

William Thomas.

Quest. 3. What Preachers are received on trial?

Answ. Joshua Worley

William Damaron

Lemuel Green

William Cannon

Jesse Lee

Thomas Anderson

Thomas Humphreys

Samuel Breeze

Henry Merritt

Francis Spry

James Hinton

William Phœbus

Richard Swift

Thomas Bowen

Quest. 4. Are there any objections to any of the Preachers?

Answ. They were examined one by one.

Quest. 5. Who act as Assistants this year?

Answ. Francis Asbury

Beverly Allen

William Waters

Caleb Boyer

William Glendenning

James Kelly

Edward Drumgole

Nelson Read

John Dickins

James Cromwell

Samuel Spragg

Richard Ivy

Francis Poythress

James White

John Cooper

Henry Metcalf

John Tunnell

James Haw

Freeborn Garrettson

Woolman Hickson

Thomas Chew

William Partridge

Caleb Pedicord

Henry Ogbourn

Lee Roy Cole

John Easter

Samuel Row

Philip Bruce

William Gill

Edward Morris

Reuben Ellis

Jeremiah Lambert

John Haggerty

John Coleman

Phillip Cox

Moses Park

Henry Willis

Jonathan Forrest

James Martin

Quest. 6. How are the Preachers stationed?

Answ.

Holstein, - *Jeremiah Lambert.*

Guilford,

<i>Guilford,</i>	}	Samuel Dudley,
	}	James Gibbons.
<i>Pittsylvania,</i>	}	James Cromwell,
	}	Thomas Anderson.
<i>Caswell,</i>	}	Peter Moriarty,
	}	Jesse Lee.
<i>Yadkin,</i>	}	Henry Ogbourn,
	}	William Cannon
	}	Lemuel Green.
<i>New-Hope,</i>		Henry Willis.
<i>Marsh,</i>	-	Philip Bruce.
<i>Salisbury,</i>	}	Beverly Allen,
	}	James Foster,
	}	James Hinton.
<i>Tar-River,</i>	}	Ira Ellis,
	}	Joshua Worley.
<i>Roan-Oak,</i>	}	John Easter,
	}	William Damaron.
<i>Mecklenburg,</i>	}	Caleb Pedicord,
	}	Edward Drumgole,
	}	Henry Merritt.
<i>Brunswick,</i>	}	James Kelly,
	}	Joseph Cromwell.
<i>Suffex,</i>	}	Thomas Chew,
	}	Thomas Foster.
<i>Amelia,</i>	}	James Haw,
	}	James Mallory.
<i>Norfolk,</i>		James Morris.
<i>Pasquetank,</i>	}	James Martin,
	}	Henry Metcalf.
<i>Nansemond,</i>	-	Richard Ivy,
<i>Bartee,</i>	}	Edward Morris,
	}	John Baldwin.
<i>Fluvanna,</i>	}	James White,
	}	Enoch Matson,
	}	Henry Jones.
<i>Hanover,</i>	}	Caleb Boyer,
	}	Thomas Curtis.

Allegany,

<i>Allegany,</i>	}	Francis Poythrefts,
	}	Benjamin Roberts.
<i>Barclay,</i>	}	Moses Park,
	}	Thomas Humpheys.
<i>Fairfax,</i>	}	Jonathan Forrest,
	}	David Abbott.
<i>Calvert,</i>	}	William Waters,
	}	Richard Swift.
<i>Frederick,</i>	}	Ignatius Pigman,
	}	William Phœbus.
<i>Baltimore,</i>	}	John Coleman,
	}	Michael Ellis,
	}	Joseph Everett.
<i>Little-York,</i>	-	William Gill.
	}	Reuben Ellis,
<i>Chester,</i>	}	John Haggerty,
	}	Thomas Haskins.
<i>East-Jersey,</i>	}	Samuel Row,
	}	James Thomas,
	}	Francis Spry,
	}	William Ringold.
<i>West-Jersey,</i>	}	Woolman Hickson,
	}	John Magary.
<i>New-York,</i>	}	Samuel Spragg,
	}	John Dickins.
<i>Somerset,</i>	}	William Partridge,
	}	Adam Cloud.
<i>Caroline,</i>	}	Nelson Read,
	}	Matthew Greentree,
	}	Thomas Bowen.
<i>Annamesset,</i>	}	Philip Cox,
	}	William Thomas,
	}	Samuel Breeze,
	}	William Wright.
<i>Dorset,</i>	}	Lee Roy Cole,
	}	Joseph Wyatt.

Dover,

Dover,	}	William Glendenning,
	}	George Kimble.
Cumberland,		John Cooper.
Kent, M.	}	John Tunnell,
	}	George Mair.
Talbot,	}	Freeborn Garrettson,
	}	John Major.

Quest. 7. What numbers are there in Society?

<i>Answ.</i> Yadkin	-	-	348
Salisbury.	-	-	30
Guilford	-	-	314
New-Hope	-	-	183
Tar-River	-	-	332
Roan-Oak	-	-	400
Marsh	-	-	50
Bartie	-	-	600
Pasquetank	-	-	22
Holstein	-	-	60
Pittsylvania	-	-	352
Mecklenburg	-	-	426
Brunswick	-	-	417
Suffex	-	-	540
Nansemond	-	-	327
Hanover	-	-	162
Amelia	-	-	356
Fluvanna	-	-	233
Allegany	-	-	291
Berkley	-	-	165
Fairfax	-	-	310
Old-Town, Cumberland	-	-	50
Frederick	-	-	548
Calvert	-	-	317
Baltimore	-	-	905
Talbot	-	-	719
Dorset	-	-	751
Annameffex	-	-	235
Somerset	-	-	250

Caroline	-	-	700
Kent	-	-	697
Dover	-	-	1017
York	-	-	156
Chester	-	-	320
Philadelphia	-	-	119
East-Jersey	-	-	538
West-Jersey	-	-	490
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Quest. 8. What sum is to be raised for the support of the Preacher's wives?

Answ. North circuits £. 200, South circuits £. 60.

Quest. 9. How is this sum to be raised?

Answ. Let conference lay a small collection on all the circuits.

Quest. 10. What shall be done with our local Preachers who hold slaves, contrary to the laws which authorize their freedom, in any of the United States?

Answ. We will try them another year. In the meantime let every Assistant deal faithfully and plainly with every one, and report to the next conference. It may then be necessary to suspend them.

Quest. 11. Should our friends be permitted to make spirituous liquors, sell, and drink them in drams?

Answ. By no means: we think it wrong in its nature and consequences; and desire all our preachers to teach the people by precept and example to put away this evil.

Quest. 12. How shall we conduct ourselves towards any European Methodists, should they come to this continent?

Answ. We will not receive them without a letter of recommendation, which we have no reason to doubt the truth of.

Quest. 14.

Quest. 13. What can be done to supply the circuits with preaching, in the time of conference?

Ans. Let the assistants engage as many local preachers as can be depended upon, and such among them as are needy be allowed for their labour in proportion with the travelling preachers.

Quest. 14. How many days of Thanksgiving shall we have for our public peace, temporal and spiritual prosperity, and for the glorious work of God?

Ans. Two: the first Thursday in July and October.

Quest. 15. How many Fast days shall we have?

Ans. Two: the first Friday in January and April.

Quest. 16. How many Preacher's wives are to be provided for?

Ans. Eleven:

Sister Forrest	Sister Ellis
Sister Mair	Sister Waters
Sister Wyatt	Sister Haggerty
Sister Thomas	Sister Pigman
Sister Everett	Sister Dickins.
Sister Kimble	

Quest. 17. How is this money to be raised?

<i>Ans.</i>	Allegany	£.	Brought up	£.
Barclay	4			82
Fairfax	6		Pennsylvania	30
Frederick	10		East and West Jersey	30
Calvert	8		Dover	20
Baltimore	6		Somerset	8
Dorset	30		Annamesset	6
York	12		Talbot	10
	6		Kent	20

Carried up £. 82

£. 206

Sister Dickins to be supplied from New-York;
sisters Forrest, Ellis, Waters, Haggerty and Pigman,
to be supplied from Allegany, Barclay, Fairfax,
Frederick,

Frederick, Calvert, Baltimore, York and Pennsylvania, and to have £. 20 annually each; the money to be sent quarterly, half yearly, or yearly to the general stewards in Baltimore, appointed by conference. Sister Kimble to be supplied from East Jersey; sisters Mair, Wyatt and Everett, to be supplied by West Jersey, Dover, Somerset, Talbot, Dorset, Annamesset and Kent; to be sent to two general stewards to be appointed for that purpose on the Eastern Shore, to be paid as above.

Quest. 18. When and where shall our next conference be held?

Answ. In Baltimore, the 4th Tuesday in May.

Quest. 19. What Preachers shall attend?

Answ. The Assistants, and those who are to be received into connection.

Quest. 20. Who desist from travelling?

Answ.

Richard Garrettson

| Samuel Watfon.

Micajah Debruler

Quest. 21. Who are appointed as general Stewards?

Answ. Samuel Owings, John Orick.

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M I N U T E S

OF SOME

C O N V E R S A T I O N S

BETWEEN THE

P R E A C H E R S

IN CONNECTION WITH

The Rev. Mr. John Wesley,

Begun at Ellis's Preaching-House, Virginia,

April 30th, 1784,

And ended at Baltimore, May 28th, following,



Quest. 1. WHAT Preachers are admitted?

<i>Answ.</i> John Baldwin	William Thomas
Thomas Haskins	John Magary.

Quest. 2. Who remain on trial?

<i>Answ.</i> Joshua Worley	Samuel Breeze
Henry Jones	William Phœbus
William Cannon	Richard Swift
Jesse Lee	Thomas Bowen
Thomas Anderson	Matthew Greentree
William Damaron	Lemuel Green
James Hinton	William Ringold
Moses Park	Hugh Roberts
Thomas Humphreys	Thomas Ware.

Quest. 3. What Preachers are received on trial?

<i>Answ.</i> David Jefferson	Thomas Jackson
Isaac Smith	Wilson Lee
John Robertson	Simon Pile
John Philips	John Smith
John Fidler	James Riggins.
William Jeffop	

Quest. 4. Are there any objections to any of the Preachers?

Answ. They were examined one by one.

Quest. 5. Who act as Assistants this year?

<i>Answ.</i> Francis Asbury	Michael Ellis
William Glendenning	Thomas Chew
Edward Drumgole	Samuel Dudley
Lee Roy Cole	Samuel Row
Reuben Ellis	John Haggerty
Henry Willis	John Dickins
Edward Morris	Philip Cox
Freeborn Garrettson	Nelson Read
James Martin	George Mair
James Kelly	Caleb Boyer
Henry Ogbeurn	John Tunnell
John Major	James Cromwell
Beverly Allen	Joseph Everett
Philip Bruce	Woolman Hickson
Enoch Matson	Thomas Haskins
Richard Ivy	John Cooper
John Easter	John Magary
William Gill	Ignatius Pigman.
Caleb Pedicord	

Quest. 6. How are the Preachers stationed this year?

<i>Answ.</i> Holstein,	Henry Willis.
Yadkin,	Philip Bruce,
	John Baldwin.
Salisbury,	Jesse Lee,
	Isaac Smith.
Guilford,	Thomas Humphreys,
	Thomas Anderson.

Coffey,

<i>Caswell,</i>		Richard Swift.
<i>Halifax,</i>	}	Enoch Matson,
	}	Peter Moriarty.
<i>Wilmington,</i>	}	Beverly Allen,
	}	James Hinton.
<i>New-Hope,</i>	-	Joshua Worley.
<i>Tar-River,</i>	}	William Cannon,
	}	Henry Jones.
<i>Roan-Oak,</i>	}	Thomas Curtis,
	}	David Jefferson.
<i>Mecklenburg,</i>	}	Reuben Ellis,
	}	Thomas Foster.
<i>Brunswick,</i>	}	William Glendenning,
	}	John Robertson.
<i>Bartie,</i>	}	Ira Ellis,
	}	Edward Drumgole.
<i>Camden,</i>	}	Richard Ivy,
	}	William Damaron.
<i>Portsmouth,</i>	-	James Martin.
<i>Nansemond,</i>	-	Henry Ogbourn.
<i>Suffex,</i>	}	James Kelly,
	}	Moses Park.
<i>Amelia,</i>	-	John Major.
<i>Amberst,</i>	}	Thomas Foster,
	}	William Jessop.
<i>Orange,</i>	}	Woolman Hickson,
	}	James Riggins.
<i>Richmond</i>	-	John Easter.
<i>Hampton,</i>	-	James Morris.
<i>Allegany,</i>	}	Wilson Lee,
	}	Thomas Jackson.
<i>Berkley,</i>	}	Richard Smith,
	}	Thomas Bowen.
<i>Fairfax,</i>	-	Joseph Everett.
<i>Bedford,</i>	}	Edward Morris,
	}	James Haw.

Redstone,

<i>Redstone,</i>	}	John Cooper,
	}	Samuel Breeze.
<i>Calvert,</i>		Francis Poythress,
	}	Caleb Pedicord,
<i>Baltimore,</i>	}	Thomas Chew,
	}	William Gill.
<i>Little-Tork,</i>	-	Michael Ellis.
	}	Lee Roy Cole,
<i>Philadelphia,</i>	}	Joseph Cromwell,
	}	Jeremiah Lambert.
	}	Nelson Read,
<i>Dover,</i>	}	Adam Cloud.
	}	George Mair,
<i>Caroline,</i>	}	Joseph Wyatt,
	}	George Moore.
	}	Thomas Haskins,
<i>Somerset,</i>	}	William Ringold.
	}	Caleb Boyer,
<i>Annamesssex,</i>	}	Hugh Roberts.
<i>Accomac,</i>	-	James White.
	}	John Tunnell,
<i>Dorset,</i>	}	Lemuel Green.
	}	James Cromwell,
<i>Kent, M.</i>	}	William Lynch,
	}	Thomas Ware.
<i>Juniata,</i>	-	Simon Pile.
<i>Long-Island,</i>	-	Philip Cox.
<i>New-York,</i>	-	John Dickins.
	}	Samuel Dudley,
<i>East-Jersey,</i>	}	William Phœbus.
	}	Samuel Row,
<i>West-Jersey,</i>	}	William Partridge,
	}	John Fidler.
	}	Freeborn Garrettson,
<i>Talbot,</i>	}	William Thomas.

Frederick,

<i>Frederick,</i>	}	John Magary,
		Isaac Smith,
		Jonathan Forrest.
<i>Trenton,</i>	}	John Haggerty,
		Matthew Greentree.

Quest. 7. What numbers are there in society ?

<i>Answ.</i>	New-York	-	-	60
	Long-Island	-	-	24
	East-Jersey	-	-	450
	West-Jersey	-	-	513
	Philadelphia	-	-	470
	Little-York	-	-	50
	Juniata	-	-	40
	Dover	-	-	982
	Kent, M.	-	-	730
	Talbot	-	-	782
	Dorset	-	-	760
	Annameffex	-	-	260
	Somerfet	-	-	338
	Caroline	-	-	752
	Baltimore	-	-	839
	Calvert	-	-	340
	Frederick	-	-	516
	Fairfax	-	-	317
	Berkley	-	-	116
	Allegany	-	-	240
	Orange	-	-	217
	Richmond	-	-	168
	Suffex	-	-	525
	Nansemond	-	-	215
	Portsmouth	-	-	191
	Brunswick	-	-	484
	Amelia	-	-	317
	Mecklenburg	-	-	293
	Amherst	-	-	290
	Halifax	-	-	272
	Holstein	-	-	76

Yadkin	-	-	292
Guilford	-	-	318
Caswell	-	-	165
Salisbury	-	-	375
New-Hope	-	-	170
Tar-River	-	-	426
Roan-Oak	-	-	495
Bartie	-	-	600
Camden and Banks	}	-	350
Wilmington		-	80
Pee Dee	-	-	99

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Quest. 8. How shall we keep good order among the Preachers, and provide for contingencies in the vacancy of conference and absence of the General Assistant?

Ans. Let any three Assistants do what may be thought most eligible, call to an account, change, suspend or receive a preacher till conference.

Quest. 9. What can be done with those places we have long tried, and appear to grow worse every year?

Ans. If you are obliged to make use of such places as a bridge to get to more valuable ones, appoint no public preaching, but only meet society in the evening or speak to the black people.

Quest. 10. What can be done towards erecting new chapels, and discharging the debts on those already built?

Ans. Let the Assistant Preacher put a yearly subscription through the circuits, and insist upon every member that is not supported by charity to give something; let them subscribe the first quarter and pay the second, and the money to be applied by two General Stewards.

Quest. 11. How shall we prevent superfluity in dress among our people?

Ans.

Answ. Let the preachers carefully avoid every thing of this kind in themselves, and speak frequently and faithfully against it in all our societies.

Quest. 12. *What shall we do with our friends that will buy and sell slaves?*

Answ. If they buy with no other design than to hold them as slaves, and have been previously warned, they shall be turned out; and permitted to sell on no consideration.

Quest. 13. *What shall we do with our local Preachers who will not emancipate their slaves in the states where the laws admit it?*

Answ. Try those in Virginia another year, and suspend the preachers in Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, and New-Jersey.

Quest. 14. *How shall we reform our singing?*

Answ. Let all our preachers who have any knowledge in the notes, improve it by learning to sing true themselves, and keeping close to Mr. Wesley's tunes and hymns.

Quest. 15. *How shall we enlarge the conference collection, to supply the wants of the Preachers?*

Answ. Let there be a public collection in all the principal places in the circuits, and brought to conference.

Quest. 16. *What Preachers' wives are to be provided for?*

Sister Wyatt	Sister Pigman
Moore	Haggerty
Thomas	Dickins
Mair	Drumgole
Ellis	Kelly
Scott	Morris
Forester	

Quest. 17. *How is this money to be raised?*

<i>Answ.</i> Talbot	£.		£.
14		Dorset	14
			Dover

	£.		£.
Brought over	28	Brought up	198
Dover	14	Philadelphia	24
Annamestex	14	New-Jersey	20
Kent	14	Brunswick	10
Caroline	14	Mecklenburg	8
Somerset	14	Bartie	2
Fairfax	20	Suffex	10
Baltimore	40	Amelia	10
Calvert	15	Nansemond	7
Little York	10	Portsmouth	7
Frederick	15	Camden	6
Carried up £. 198		£. 302	

Let every Assistant Preacher see that this money is collected and paid quarterly.

Quest. 18. What shall be allowed the General Assistant yearly?

Ans. Twenty-four pounds, with his expenses for horses and travelling, brought into, and paid at conference.

Quest. 19. What Preachers have died this year?

Ans. William Wright, Henry Metcalf.

Quest. 20. What Preachers desist from travelling?

<i>Ans. David Abbott</i>	<i>John Coleman</i>
<i>James Thomas</i>	<i>James Malory.</i>

Quest. 21. How shall we conduct ourselves towards European Preachers?

Ans. If they are recommended by Mr. Wesley, will be subject to the American conference, preach the doctrine taught in the four volumes of Sermons, and Notes on the New Testament, keep the circuits they are appointed to, follow the directions of the London and American minutes, and be subject to Francis Asbury as General Assistant, whilst he stands approved by Mr. Wesley, and the conference, we will

will receive them; but if they walk contrary to the above directions, no ancient right or appointment shall prevent their being excluded from our connection.

Quest. 22. What shall be done with our travelling Preachers that now are, or hereafter shall be possessed of negroes, and refuse to manumit them where the law permits?

Answ. Employ them no more.

Quest. 23. How shall we more effectually appoint, and keep days of Fasting?

Answ. By writing it upon every class-paper, To be the first Friday after every quarterly-meeting.

Quest. 24. When and where shall our next conference be held?

Answ. The first at Green Hill's, Friday 29th and Saturday 30th of April, North Carolina; the second in Virginia, at conference chapel, May 8th; the third in Maryland, Baltimore, the 15th day of June.

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M I N U T E S

OF SOME
CONVERSATIONS
BETWEEN THE
MINISTERS AND PREACHERS
OF THE

Methodist Episcopal Church,

AT A
GENERAL CONFERENCE

HELD AT
BALTIMORE,
January 1785.

AS it was unanimously agreed at this conference, that circumstances made it expedient for us to become a separate body, under the denomination of the *Methodist Episcopal Church*, it is necessary that we should here assign some reasons for so doing.

The following extract of a letter from the Rev. Mr. John Wesley, will afford as good an explanation as can be given of this subject :

“ Bristol, September 10th, 1784.

“ *To Dr. Coke, Mr. Asbury, and our Brethren in North America.*

“ 1. By a very uncommon train of providences,
“ many of the provinces of North America are total-
“ ly

“ly disjoined from the British empire, and erected
 “into Independent States. The English government
 “has no authority over them either civil or ecclesiasti-
 “cal, any more than over the states of Holland. A
 “civil authority is exercised over them, partly by the
 “Congress, partly by the State Assemblies. But
 “no one either exercises or claims any ecclesiastical
 “authority at all. In this peculiar situation some
 “thousands of the inhabitants of these States desire
 “my advice : and in compliance with their desire, I
 “have drawn up a little sketch.

“2. Lord King’s account of the primitive church
 “convinced me many years ago, that bishops and
 “presbyters are the same order, and consequently
 “have the same right to ordain. For many years I
 “have been importuned from time to time, to exer-
 “cise this right, by ordaining part of our travelling
 “preachers. But I have still refused; not only for
 “peace’ sake ; but because I was determined, as lit-
 “tle as possible to violate the established order of the
 “national church to which I belonged.

“3. But the case is widely different between En-
 “gland and North America. Here there are bishops
 “who have a legal jurisdiction. In America there
 “are none, and but few parish ministers. So that for
 “some hundred miles together there is none either to
 “baptize or to administer the Lord’s Supper. Here
 “therefore my scruples are at an end : and I conceive
 “myself at full liberty, as I violate no order and in-
 “vade no man’s right, by appointing and sending la-
 “bourers into the harvest.

“4. I have accordingly appointed Dr. COKE and
 “Mr. FRANCIS ASBURY, to be joint *Superintendents*,*
 “over

* As the translators of our version of the bible have used the English word *Bishop* instead of *Superintendent*, it has been thought by us, that it would appear more scriptural to adopt their term *Bishop*.

“ over our brethren in North America. As also
 “ RICHARD WHATCOAT and THOMAS VASEY, to
 “ act as *Elders* among them, by baptizing and admi-
 “ nistering the Lord’s Supper.

“ 5. If any one will point out a more rational and
 “ scriptural way of feeding and guiding those poor
 “ sheep in the wilderness, I will gladly embrace it.
 “ At present I cannot see any better method than
 “ that I have taken.

“ 6. It has indeed been proposed, to desire the En-
 “ glish bishops to ordain part of our preachers for
 “ America. But to this I object, 1st, I desired the
 “ Bishop of London to ordain one only ; but could
 “ not prevail : 2nd, If they consented, we know the
 “ slowness of their proceedings ; but the matter ad-
 “ mits of no delay. 3rd, If they would ordain them
 “ *now*, they would likewise expect to govern them.
 “ And how grievously would this entangle us ? 4th,
 “ As our American brethren are now totally disentangled
 “ both from the State, and from the English
 “ hierarchy, we dare not entangle them again, either
 “ with the one or the other. They are now at full
 “ liberty, simply to follow the scriptures and the pri-
 “ mitive church. And we judge it best that they
 “ should stand fast in that liberty, wherewith God
 “ has so strangely made them free.

“ JOHN WESLEY.”

Therefore, at this conference we formed ourselves
 into an Independent Church : and following the coun-
 sel of Mr. John Wesley, who recommended the Epis-
 copal mode of church government, we thought it best
 to become an Episcopal church, making the Episco-
 pal office elective, and the elected superintendent, or
 bishop, amenable to the body of ministers and preach-
 ers.

Quest. 1. Who are the Superintendents of our Church?

Ans. Thomas Coke, Francis Asbury.

Quest. 2. Who are the Elders?

Ans. Rd. Whatcoat

Thomas Vasey

Freeborn Garrettson

William Gill

Thomas Chew

John Haggerty

Reuben Ellis

James Kelly

Richard Ivy

John Tunnell

Beverly Allen

Henry Willis

Caleb Boyer

James Cromwell

Enoch Matson

Nelson Reed

Jeremiah Lambert

Ignatius Pigman

Thomas Foster

John Baxter.

Quest. 3. Who are the Deacons?

Ans. John Dickins

Michael Ellis

Philip Bruce

William Ringold.

Quest. 4. Who are the Assistants?

Ans. All the Deacons:

Joseph Everett

Phillip Cox

John Cooper

Ira Ellis

Samuel Dudley

William Cannon

Henry Ogbourn

James White

George Moore

William Thomas

Thomas Haskins

Thomas Curtis

William Phœbus

Adam Cloud

Robert Cloud

Peter Moriarty

Thomas Anderson

William Partridge

James Hinton

John Baldwin

Thomas Humphreys

James Haw

Edward Morris

Simon Pile

Woolman Hickson

Richard Swift

William Glendenning

John Major

Edward Drumgole

William Damaron

Thomas Bowen.

Quest. 5. Who are admitted into full connection?

Ans. Jesse Lee

James Hinton

William Damaron

Thomas Bowen

Thomas

Thomas Anderson	William Phœbus
Thomas Humphreys	William Ringold
Richard Swift	Lemuel Green.

Quest. 6. Who remain on trial?

<i>Answ.</i> David Jefferson	Wilson Lee
Isaac Smith	Simon Pile
John Smith	Thomas Jackson
Elijah Ellis	Samuel Breeze
John Robertson	Matthew Greentree
William Jessop	Thomas Ware
James Riffin	James Thomas.

Quest. 7. Who are admitted on trial?

<i>Answ.</i> Mark Whitaker	Hezekiah Boneham
Henry Bingham	Stephen Dickins
George Noseworthy	Levin Ross
Stephen Johnson	Shores Bright
Thomas Williamson	Eleazer Hatheway
John Freeman	Robert Sparks
Michael Gilbert	William Steens
Joshua Hartley	John Street
Jeremiah Maiston	Garret Thomson
Hope Hull	Robert Ayres
Ezekiel Cooper	Jacob Brush.

Quest. 8. Who desist from travelling?

<i>Answ.</i> Samuel Row	James Morris.
James Martin	

Quest. 9. Who is laid aside?

Answ. Lee Roy Cole.

Quest. 10. Who have died this year?

Answ. Caleb Pedicord, a man of sorrows, and, like his Master, acquainted with grief; but a man dead to the world, and much devoted to God:

And George Mair, a man of affliction, but of great patience and resignation; and of excellent understanding.

Quest. 11. Are there any objections to any of the Preachers?

Answ.

Answ. They have been examined one by one.

Quest. 12. *How are the Preachers stationed this year?*

Answ. As follows :

Georgia, Beverly Allen, *Elder.*

John Tunnell, *Elder.*

Charleston,

George-Town, Woolman Hickson.

Henry Willis, *Elder.*

<i>Yadkin,</i>	}	Henry Bingham,
	}	Thomas Williamson.
<i>Holstein,</i>	}	Richard Swift,
	}	Michael Gilbert.

Richard Ivy, *Elder.*

<i>Castwell,</i>	-	Elijah Ellis.
<i>Salisbury,</i>	}	Joshua Hartley,
	}	Hope Hull.
<i>Halifax,</i>	}	James Hinton,
	}	George Noseworthy.

Reuben Ellis, *Elder.*

<i>Wilmington,</i>	-	John Baldwin.
<i>New-River,</i>	-	Philip Bruce,
<i>Tar-River,</i>	}	Thomas Humphreys,
	}	Isaac Smith.
<i>Ryan Oak,</i>	}	Edward Morris,
	}	Mark Whitaker.
<i>New-Hope,</i>	-	Henry Jones.
<i>Guilford,</i>	}	John Smith.
	}	Stephen Johnson

Nelson Reed, *Elder.*

<i>Camden,</i>	}	William Partridge,
	}	William Steens

Portsmouth,

Portsmouth, } Thomas Anderson,
 John Street.
Williamsburg, } Jeremiah Maston.

Enoch Matson, *Elder.*

Bartie, } John Dickins,
 David Jefferson.
Suffex, } William Glendenning,
 John Easter.
Brunswick, } Edward Diomgole,
 James Haw,
Mecklenburg, } John Major,
 John Robertson.

James Kelly, *Elder.*

Amelia, } William D. maron,
 John Freeman,
Bedford, } Thomas Bowen,
 James Kenney.
Orange, } Thomas Jackson,
 Hezekiah Boneham,
 Stephen Dickins.

Thomas Foster, *Elder.*

Redstone } Peter Moriarty,
 John Fidler,
 Wilson Lee.
Allegany, } Lemuel Green,
 John Paup,
 William Jeffop.
Berkley, } Eleazer Hatheway.
Fairfax, } Simon Pile.

St. Mary's, Ignatius Pigman, *Elder.*

Lancaster, } Joseph Everett,
 Levin Rofs.

Calvert, Michael Ellis.

Richard

Richard Whatcoat, *Elder.*

<i>Frederick,</i>	}	William Ringold,
		Samuel Breeze
<i>Baltimore,</i>	}	Francis Poythress,
		Jonathan Forrest.

Caleb Boyer, *Elder.*

<i>Kent,</i>	}	Thomas Curtis,
		George Moore.
<i>Talbot,</i>	}	Thomas Haskins,
		Joseph Cromwell.
<i>Dorset,</i>	}	William Thomas,
		Robert Ayres.
<i>Northampton,</i>	}	Philip Cox,
		Moses Hurley.

William Gill, *Elder.*

<i>Dover,</i>	}	Samuel Dudley,
		Joseph Wyatt.
<i>Caroline,</i>	}	William Cannon,
		Jesse Lee,
	}	Shores Bright.
<i>Somerset,</i>		Henry Ogbourn,
	}	Garret Thomson.
<i>Anamessetz,</i>		James White,
	}	Robert Cann.

Thomas Vasey, *Elder.*

<i>Little-York,</i>	-	John Cooper.
<i>Philadelphia,</i>	}	Ira Ellis,
		James Thomas.
<i>Juniata,</i>	-	James Riggins.

Thomas Chew, *Elder.*

<i>West-Jersey,</i>	}	William Phœbus,
		Thomas Ware,
		Robert Sparks.
<i>East-Jersey,</i>	}	Adam Cloud,
		Matthew Greentree.

<i>Trenton,</i>	}	Robert Cloud,
		John M'Claskey,
		Jacob Brush.
<i>New-York,</i>		John Haggerty, <i>Elder.</i>
<i>Long-Island,</i>	-	Ezekiel Cooper.
<i>Shelburne,</i>	-	Freeborn Garrettson, <i>Elder.</i>
<i>Port-Roseway,</i>		James Cromwell. <i>Elder.</i>
<i>Antigua,</i>	}	Jeremiah Lambert, }
		John Baxter, } <i>Elders.</i>

Quest. 13. What was collected for Cokesbury college?

Ans. w. £. 45 : 16 : 0 Sterling.

Quest. 14. What was the yearly collection?

Ans. w. £. 300.

Quest. 15. How was it expended?

Ans. w. In making up the yearly deficiencies, and sending out two missionaries, and the expenses of our conference.

Quest. 16. What numbers are in society?

Ans. w. Eighteen thousand.

It is recommended to all our brethren to suspend the execution of the minute on slavery, till the deliberations of a future conference; and that an equal space of time be allowed all our members for consideration, when the minute shall be put in force.

N. B. We do hold in the deepest abhorrence, the practice of slavery; and shall not cease to seek its destruction by all wise and prudent means.

Quest. 17. When and where shall we hold our conferences next year?

Ans. w. At Salisbury, Tuesday, 21st of February. At Lane's chapel, in Southampton county, Virginia, Monday, 10th of April. In Baltimore, the 8th of May, 1786.

MINUTES

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MINUTES

OF THE

GENERAL CONFERENCE

OF THE

Methodist Episcopal Church,

FOR THE YEAR

1786.



Quest. 1. WHO are the Superintendents of our church?

Answ. Thomas Coke, Francis Asbury.

Quest. 2. Who are the Elders?

Answ. Rd. Whatcoat

John Tunnell

Freeborn Garrettson

Thomas Chew

John Haggerty

Reuben Ellis

William Gill

James Kelly

Henry Willis

Richard Ivy

Caleb Boyer

Nelson Reed

Enoch Matson

Ignatius Pigman

Thomas Foster

John Baxter

James Cromwell

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Beverly Allen

Thomas Vasey

James Foster

Francis Poythress

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Quest. 3. Who are the Deacons ?

<i>Ans.</i> Michael Ellis	William Cannon
Joseph Everett	Thomas Humphreys
Samuel Dudley	John Dickins.

Quest. 4. Who are the Assistants ?

Ans. All the Deacons :

Isaac Smith	William Waters
Richard Swift	Jesse Lee
John Baldwin	James White
Edward Morris	Ira Ellis
John Easter	William Jessop
William Partridge	James Riffin
Thomas Anderson	William Thomas
Thomas Bowen	Thomas Curtis
Thomas Jackson	Henry Ogbourn
Philip Cox	Matthew Greentree
Elijah Ellis	Robert Cloud
William Dameron	Thomas Ware
William Cannon	Woolman Hickson
John Smith	Jonathan Forrest.
Richard Owens	

Quest. 5. Who are admitted into full connection ?

<i>Ans.</i> Isaac Smith	William Jessop
John Smith	James Riffin
Elijah Ellis	Wilson Lee
John Robertson	Thomas Ware
Thomas Jackson	John Fidler.
Henry Jones	

Quest. 6. Who remain on trial ?

<i>Ans.</i> Mark Whitaker	Robert Sparks
Henry Bingham	Jacob Brush
Stephen Johnson	Robert Ayres
Thomas Williamson	Garret Thomson
Joshua Hartley	John Paup
Hope Hull	John M'Claskey
William Steens	Robert Cann
Jeremiah Maston	Stephen Dickins

Ezekiel Cooper
Levin Rofs

Simon Pile.

Quest. 7. Who are admitted on trial ?

Ans. Sihon Smith

John Mafon
Robert Johnson Miller
Mark Moore
Charles Hardy
Daniel Asbury
Caleb Maxcy
John Steward
Henry Vanover
Terence Burns
Micajah Tracy
Elijah Lumsdon

Newman Spain
Jacob Lurton
William Hudson
John Jarrel
William Hervey
Benjamin Ogdon
John Simmons
Moses Hurley
John Merrick
Samuel Talbot
Lattley Matthews
Michael Lard.

Quest. 8. Who desist from travelling ?

Ans. James Hinton

Edward Drumgole

William Glendenning
William Ringold.

Quest. 4. Are there any objections to any of the Preachers ?

Ans. They were examined one by one.

Quest. 10. Who have died this year ?

Ans. Jeremiah Lambert, an Elder ; six years in the work ; a man of sound judgment, clear understanding, good gifts, genuine piety, and very useful, humble and holy ; diligent in life and resigned in death ; much esteemed in the connection, and justly lamented in his death.—But we do not sorrow as men without hope, but expect shortly to join with him and all those that rest from their labours.—And James Thomas, a pious young man, of good gifts, useful and acceptable, blameless in his life, and much resigned in his death.

Quest. 11. How are the Preachers stationed ?

Ans.

James Foster, Elder.

Georgia,

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Thomas Humphreys,
John Major.

Broad-River,

Broad-River, - Stephen Johnson,

Henry Willis, *Elder.*

Charleston, - Isaac Smith.

Beverly Allen, *Elder.*

Santee, - Richard Smith,

Pee Dee, } Jeremiah Mafton,
Hope Hull.

Reuben Ellis, *Elder.*

Salisbury, } Thomas Williamson,
Henry Bingham.

Tadkin, } Robert Miller,
John Mafton.

Holftein, } Mark Whitaker,
Mark Moore.

James Kelly, *Elder.*

Guilford, - John Baldwin.

Halifax, } Edward Morris,
Charles Hardy,

Mecklenburg, } John Easter,
Henry Jones.

Richard Ivy, *Elder.*

New-Hope, - William Partridge.

Tar-River, } Thomas Anderson,
Micajah Tracy.

Roan-Oak, } Thomas Bowen,
William Steens.

Caswell, - Sihon Smith.

Philip Bruce, *Elder.*

Bartie, } Thomas Jackson,
John Freeman.

<i>Camden and</i>	}	John Robertson,
<i>Banks,</i>		John Steward.
<i>Portsmouth,</i>		T Burns.

Francis Poythress, *Elder.*

<i>Brunswick,</i>	}	Philip Cox,
		James Gibbons,
		Henry Merritt.
<i>Suffex,</i>	}	Simon Pile,
		Lastley Matthews.
<i>Amelia,</i>	}	Elijah Ellis,
		Daniel Asbury.

Thomas Chew, *Elder.*

<i>Williamsburg,</i>	-	Levin Ross,
<i>Orange,</i>	}	William Dameron,
		Elijah Lumsdon.
<i>Bedford,</i>	}	William Cannon,
		Henry Vanover,
<i>Hanover,</i>	}	Newman Spain.
		Ananias Hudson.

Enoch Matson. *Elder.*

<i>Allegany,</i>	}	Garret Thomson,
		Aquila Edwards,
		Michael Lard.
<i>Redstone,</i>	}	John Smith,
		Robert Ayres,
		Stephen Dickins.

Nelson Reed, *Elder.*

<i>Westmoreland</i>	}	Lemuel Green,
		John Paup.
<i>Fairfax,</i>	}	Richard Owens,
		John Fidler.
<i>Berkley,</i>	}	William Waters,
		William Hervey.

Richard Whatcoat, *Elder.*

<i>Kent,</i>	}	Jeffe Lee,
	}	Samuel Talbot.
<i>Talbot,</i>	}	James White,
	}	Wilson Lee.
<i>Dover,</i>	}	Ira Ellis,
	}	I Moore.

John Haggerty, *Elder.*

<i>Caroline,</i>	}	William Jessop,
	}	Moses Hurley,
	}	John Jarrell.
<i>Dorset,</i>	}	Samuel Dudley,
	}	Joseph Everett.

Thomas Foster, *Elder.*

<i>Somerset,</i>	}	James Riffin,
	}	John Merrick.
<i>Annamesset,</i>	-	William Thomas.
<i>Northampton,</i>	-	Thomas Curtis.

Caleb Boyer, *Elder.*

<i>Philadelphia,</i>	}	Henry Ogbourn,
	}	Peter Moriarty.
<i>Little-York</i>	}	
<i>and Juniata,</i>	}	Matthew Greentree.

Freeborn Garrettson and James Cromwell, *Elders.*

<i>Nova-Scotia,</i>	}	William Black,
	}	John Mann.

Thomas Vasey, *Elder.*

<i>Trenton,</i>	}	Robert Sparks,
	}	Robert Cann.
<i>West-Jersey,</i>	}	Jacob Brush,
	}	John Simmons,
	}	Jacob Lurton.

John Tunnel, *Elder.*
East-Jersey, } John M'Clasky,
 } Ezekiel Cooper,
Newark, - Robert Cloud.
New-York, - John Dickins.
Long-Island, - Thomas Ware.

William Gill and Ignatius Pigman, *Elders.*
Baltimore, } Woolman Hickson,
 } Adam Cloud.
Frederick, } Michael Ellis,
 } Joseph Cromwell.
Calvert, - Jonathan Forrest.

James Haw, *Elder.*
Kentucky, - Benjamin Ogdon.

Lee Roy Cole, *Elder.*
Newbern, } Joshua Hartley,
New-River, } Caleb Maxcy.
& Wilmington }
Antigua, John Baxter, *Elder,*
Quest. 12. What numbers are in society ?

			Whites.	Blacks.
<i>Answ.</i> Portsmouth	-	-	330	26
Suffex	-	-	416	72
Brunswick	-	-	305	59
Amelia	-	-	382	30
Mecklenburg	-	-	392	37
Bedford	-	-	524	16
Orange	-	-	374	75
Williamsburg	-	-	167	11
Allegany	-	-	350	18
Berkley	-	-	140	26
Redstone	-	-	523	
Fairfax	-	-	260	
Lancaster	-	-	174	

Frederick

	Whites.	Blacks.
Frederick	390	32
Calvert	295	316
Baltimore	655	111
Little-York	136	
Kent,	1013	
Talbot	632	332
Dorset	719	
Somerfet	220	
Annameffex	317	33
Northampton	151	9
Caroline	657	243
Dover	690	158
Philadelphia	498	
Georgia	78	
Charleston	35	23
Santee	75	
Pee Dee	285	10
Broad River	200	
Salisbury	327	10
Yadkin	426	11
Holstein	250	
Guilford	400	10
Halifax	324	14
New-Hope	192	3
Tar-River	607	42
New-River	500	72
Roan-Oak	474	
Caswell	153	
Bartie	405	58
Camden and Banks	257	
West-Jersey	492	
Trenton	352	
East-Jersey	365	
New-York	178	25
Long-Island	146	8
Newark	50	
	Nova-Scotia	

Nova-Scotia	-	-	510	
Antigua,	-	-	1000	
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Quest. 13. What is the yearly collection?

Answ. One hundred eighty-two pounds six shillings and six pence.

Quest. 14. How was this applied?

Answ. Towards supplying the deficiencies of the preachers.

Quest. 15. What was contributed towards the Preachers fund for the superannuated Preachers, and the widows and orphans of Preachers?

Answ. Thirty-eight pounds five shillings and four pence.

Quest. 16. What demands are upon it?

Answ. Fourteen pounds for the funeral expences of Jeremiah Lambert.

Quest. 17. What was collected for, and expended on missionaries this year?

Answ. Fifty-four pounds seventeen shillings.

Quest. 18. What has been collected this year for Cokesbury college?

Answ. Eight hundred pounds two shillings and eleven pence.

Quest. 19. What has been expended this year?

Answ. Sixteen hundred and eighteen pounds fourteen shillings and two pence.

Balance due eight hundred and eighteen pounds eleven shillings and three pence.

Quest. 20. When and where shall we hold conference next year?

Answ. At Salisbury, North-Carolina, on Thursday May 17—At Petersburg, Virginia, June 19—and at Abingdon, in Maryland, on Tuesday July 24, 1787.

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MINUTES

OF THE

GENERAL CONFERENCE

OF THE

Methodist Episcopal Church,

FOR THE YEAR

1787.



Quest. 1. WHO are the Superintendents of our church, for the United States?

Answ. Thomas Coke (when present in the States) and Francis Asbury.

Quest. 2 Who are the Elders?

<i>Answ.</i> Rd. Whatcoat	Ignatius Pigman
Freeborn Garrettson	Thomas Foster
John Tunnell	John Baxter
Thomas Chew	James Cromwell
John Haggerty	Lee Roy Cole
Reuben Ellis	Beverly Allen
William Gill	Francis Poythress
James Kelly	James Haw
Henry Willis	Philip Bruce
Richard Ivy	Joseph Cromwell
Caleb Boyer	John Dickins
Nelson Reed	Woolman Hickson.
Enoch Matson	

Quest. 3.

Quest. 3. Who are the Deacons?

<i>Ans.</i> Michael Ellis	Philip Cox
Joseph Everett	Richard Swift
Samuel Dudley	John Easter
William Cannon	William Partridge
Thomas Humphreys	Jeremiah Maston
James White	Thomas Williamson
John Cooper	Thomas Anderson
Thomas Curtis	Thomas Bowen
William Phœbus	Lemuel Green
John Major	Thomas Ware
Edward Morris	Robert Cloud
Isaac Smith	William Jessop.

Quest. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

<i>Ans.</i> Robert Ayres	Jeremiah Maston
Henry Bingham	John M'Clasky
Jacob Brush	John Paup
Robert Cann	Simon Pile
Ezekiel Cooper	Levin Ross
Stephen Dickins	Robert Sparks
Hope Hull	Garret Thompson
Thomas Williamson	Mark Whitaker.
Stephen Johnson	

Quest. 5. Who remain on trial?

<i>Ans.</i> Sihon Smith	Henry Vanover
John Mason	Terence Burns
Mark Moore	Micajah Tracy
Charles Hardy	Jacob Lurton
John Simmons	John Jarrell
Lastly Matthews	Benjamin Ogdon
Michael Lard	John Merrick
Henry Merritt	Samuel Quinton Talbot
Daniel Asbury	Aquila Edwards.

Quest. 6. Who are admitted on trial?

<i>Ans.</i> Edward West	Jeremiah Minton
James Connor	Daniel Locket
William Bradbury	Lemuel Andrews

Matthew

Matthew Harris
Lewis Grigg
Barnabas M^cHenry
Benjamin Carter
Isaac Low
Nathaniel Moore
David Haggard
Jeremiah Abel
Thomas Wetherford
Thomas Davies
Lewis Chasteen
Francis Spry
Cornelius Cook
Thomas Morrell
Christopher Spry

Nathaniel Mills
Richard Pearson
Charles Connaway
James Wilson
John Todd
John Milburne
Benton Riggins
George Callahaun
David Coombes
Daniel Coombes
Thomas Hayman
Benjamin Roberts
Aaron Hutchinson
Elijah Phelps.

Quest. 7. Who desist from travelling ?

Ans. John Robertson, James Foster.

Quest. 8. Who has died this year ?

Ans. Richard Owens; one of the first local preachers on the continent. Though he had the charge of a large family, he laboured much in the word and doctrine, travelling for weeks and months in the back settlements, in the infancy of the work. He was a man of honest heart, plain address, good utterance, and sound judgment. He gave himself up to the work, for the two last years of his life. He died at Leesburg, last September, and we trust, rests from his labours.

Quest. 9. Are all the Preachers blameless in life and conversation ?

Ans. They were all strictly tried, one by one, before the conference.

Quest. 10. How are the Preachers stationed this year ?

Ans. As follows :

		Richard Ivy, Elder.
Burke,	}	John Major,
		Matthew Harris.

<i>Augusta,</i>	}	Thomas Humphreys,
		Moses Park.
<i>Broad-River,</i>	}	John Mafon,
		Thomas Davies.

Beverly Allen, *Elder.*

<i>Edisto,</i>	-	Edward West.
<i>Obarleston,</i>	-	Lemuel Green.
<i>Cainboy,</i>		

Reuben Ellis, *Elder.*

<i>Santee,</i>	-	Isaac Smith.
<i>Pee-Dee,</i>	}	Henry Bingham;
		Lemuel Andrews,
	}	Henry Leadbetter.
<i>Yadkin,</i>		William Partridge,
	}	Barnabas M'Henry;
		James Conner.
<i>Salisbury,</i>	-	Mark Moore.

Francis Poythress, *Elder.*

<i>Guilford,</i>	-	Jeremiah Mintor.
<i>Halifax,</i>	}	Daniel Asbury,
		Jeremiah Abel.
<i>New-Hope</i>	-	John Baldwin.
<i>Caswell,</i>	-	Terence Burns

James Kelly, *Elder.*

<i>Bladen,</i>	-	Daniel Coombes
<i>New-River,</i>	}	Edward Morris,
		Henry Ogbourn.
<i>Tar-River,</i>	}	Thomas Bowen,
		Thomas Wetherford.
<i>Roan Oak,</i>	}	• Thomas Anderson,
		Benjamin Carter.
<i>Mecklenburg,</i>	}	Richard Swift,
		Charles Hardy.

Brunswick,

<i>Brunswick,</i>	}	John Easter,
	}	Henry Jones.
<i>Suffex,</i>	}	Philip Cox,
	}	Lewis Grigg.
<i>Amelia,</i>	}	Hope Hull,
	}	Mark Whitaker.

Philip Bruce, *Elder.*

<i>Portsmouth,</i>	}	Thomas Jackson,
	}	David Jefferson.
<i>Camden,</i>	-	Sihon Smith,
<i>Banks,</i>	-	David Haggard.
<i>Bartie,</i>	}	Henry Merrit,
	}	Lewis Chasteen.

Lee Roy Cole, *Elder.*

<i>Bedford,</i>	}	John Paup,
	}	William Bradbury.
<i>Greenbrier,</i>	-	John Smith.
<i>Orange,</i>	}	Isaac Low,
	}	Daniel Lockett.
<i>Hanover,</i>	-	Henry Vanover,
<i>Williamsburg,</i>	-	Stephen Johnson.
<i>Amherst,</i>	-	William Dameron.

John Tunnell, *Elder.*

<i>Holstein,</i>	}	Jeremiah Maston,
	}	Nathaniel Moore.
<i>Nolachuckie,</i>	}	Thomas Ware,
	}	Micajah Tracy.

James Haw, *Elder.*

<i>Kentucky,</i>	}	Thomas Williamson,
	}	Wilson Lee.
<i>Cumberland,</i>	-	Benjamin Ogdon.

Joseph Cromwell, *Elder.*

<i>Redstone</i>	}	William Phœbus,
		James Wilson,
		Elijah Phelps.
<i>Clarksburg,</i>	}	Robert Cann,
		Richard Pearson.
<i>Ohio,</i>	}	Charles Connaway,
		George Callahaun.

Richard Whatcoat, *Elder.*

Enoch Matson, *Elder.* (Invalid).

<i>Allegany,</i>	}	John Simmons,
		John Todd.
<i>Bath,</i>	}	Robert Ayres,
		Michael Lard.
<i>Berkley,</i>	}	Lastley Matthews,
		Jacob Linton.

Caleb Boyer, *Elder.* (Invalid).

<i>Fairfax,</i>	}	Michael Ellis,
		Adam Cloud.
<i>Lancaster,</i>	}	William Cannon,
		Elijah Ellis.

Nelson Reed, John Haggerty, and Ignatius Pigman,
Elders.

<i>Frederick,</i>	}	Jonathan Forrest,
		Benton Riggin,
		Benjamin Roberts.
<i>Calvert,</i>	-	James Riggin.
<i>Baltimore,</i>	-	Jesse Lee.

John Jarrell, Thomas Chew, and James Cromwell,
Elders.

<i>Kent,</i>	}	Ira Ellis,
		John Merrick.
<i>Talbot,</i>	}	John Cooper,
		George Moore.

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<i>Dover,</i>	}	Jacob Bruff,
	}	Aaron Hutchinsof.
<i>Caroline,</i>	}	James White,
	}	Garret Thomson,
	}	Francis Spry.

Freeborn Garrettsfou, *Elder.*

<i>Dorset,</i>	-	Thomas Curtis.
<i>Somerfet,</i>	}	Levin Rofs,
	}	Charles Spry.
<i>Annamesset,</i>	}	Joseph Everett,
	}	Matthew Greentree.
<i>Northampton,</i>	-	Robert Sparks.

John Haggerty and William Gill, *Elders.*

<i>Philadelphia,</i>	}	Samuel Dudley,
	}	William Thomas.
<i>Little York,</i>	-	David Coombes.
<i>Juniata,</i>		

Thomas Foster, *Elder.*

<i>Eliz. Town,</i>	}	Robert Cloud,
	}	Thomas Morrell.
<i>West Jersey,</i>	}	Robert Cann,
	}	John M'Clasky.
	}	John Milburne.
<i>Trenton,</i>	}	Ezekiel Cooper.
	}	Nathaniel Mills.
<i>East-Jersey,</i>	}	Simon Pile,
	}	Cornelius Cook.

New-York, John Dickins, Henry Willis, *Elders.*

New-Rochelle, Samuel Talbot.

Long-Island, - Peter Moriarty.

Quest. 11. What numbers are there in society?

Ansver. As follows :

	Whites.	Blacks.
Georgia	430	20
Broad River	403	19
Edisto	240	4
Charleston	34	53
Santee	178	12
Pee Dee	790	33
Salisbury	391	24
Yadkin	517	20
Holstein	449	1
Guilford	409	15
New-Hope	291	30
Tar-River	680	50
Roan-Oak	419	129
Cafwell	207	6
Bartie	386	50
Camden and Banks	370	34
New-River	495	80
Bladen		30
Halifax	403	23
Mecklenburg	828	76
Portsmouth	391	57
Brunswick	407	59
Suffex	496	93
Amelia	573	51
Williamsburg	217	5
Orange	337	3
Amherst	100	7
Bedford	252	
Buckingham	87	10
Kentucky	90	
Allegany	736	
Berkley	203	26
Redstone	756	
Fairfax	270	
Lancaster	400	155
Northampton	178	22
		Greenbrier

			Whites.	Blacks.
Greenbrier	-	-	100	
Frederick	-	-	445	55
Calvert	-	-	443	550
Baltimore	-	-	756	196
Kent	-	-	607	604
Talbot	-	-	1077	524
Dorset	-	-	594	135
Somerfet	-	-	223	56
Annameffex	-	-	343	43
Caroline	-	-	616	268
Dover	-	-	654	209
Philadelphia	-	-	513	
Little-York and Juniata	}	-	136	
West-Jersey	-	-	557	8
Trenton	-	-	372	
East-Jersey	-	-	465	
Elizabeth-Town	-	-	240	
New-York	-	-	235	40
Long-Island	-	-	160	7
Total	-	-	21949	3893

Quest. 12. What is contributed for the yearly expenses?

Ans. £. 193 15 1.

Quest. 13. How was this applied?

Ans. Towards supplying the deficiencies of the Preachers.

Quest. 14. What was contributed towards the fund for the superannuated Preachers, and the widows and orphans of Preachers?

Ans. £. 52 10.

Quest. 15. What demands are upon it? £. s. d.

Ans. For William Glendenning - 24 0 0
 Caleb Boyer - 14 8 1

Quest. 16.

Quest. 16. What has been collected this year for Cokebury College?

Ans. £. 261 15 1.

Quest. 17. What directions shall we give for the promotion of the spiritual welfare of the negroes?

Ans. We conjure all our Ministers and Preachers, by the love of God, and the salvation of souls, and do require them, by all the authority that is invested in us, to leave nothing undone for the spiritual benefit and salvation of the negroes, within their respective circuits, or districts; and for this purpose to embrace every opportunity of inquiring into the states of their souls, and to unite in society those who appear to have a real desire of fleeing from the wrath to come, to meet such in class, and to exercise the whole methodist discipline among them.

Quest. 18. Are not many of our Preachers and people dissatisfied with the salaries allowed our married Preachers, who have children?

Ans. They are. Therefore, for the future, no married preacher shall demand more than forty-eight pounds a year (Pennsylvania currency).

Quest. 19. Shall any directions be given, concerning Register-Books?

Ans. Let Register-Books be provided by all the societies, that the Elders and Deacons may enter the marriages and baptisms regularly into them; and let every such Register-Book be kept in the hands of the Steward, or any other proper person of each society respectively. Let one general Register-Book be also kept in the hands of the General Steward of every circuit, in which the contents of all the private Register-Books in the circuit may be inserted at convenient times.

Quest. 20. What can we do for the rising generation?

Ans. Let the Elders, Deacons, and Helpers, class the children of our friends in proper classes, as far as it

it is practicable, meet them as often as possible, and commit them, during their absence, into the care of proper persons, who may meet them at least weekly; and if any of them be *truly awakened*, let them be admitted into society.

Quest. 21. When and where shall the conference be held next year?

Answ. At Charleston, on Tuesday the 12th of March: In Georgia, on Tuesday the 9th of April: In Holstein, on Tuesday, the 13th of May: In Amelia county, Virginia, on Tuesday the 17th of June: At Beeson-Town, on Tuesday the 22d of July: and at Baltimore, on Tuesday the 10th of September.

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CONFERENCES

OF THE

Methodist Episcopal Church,

FOR THE YEAR

1788.

Quest. 1. WHO are the Bishops of our church, for the United States?

Answ. Thomas Coke, Francis Asbury.

Quest. 2. Who are the Elders?

Answ. Reuben Ellis

John Tunnell

Beverly Allen

James Haw

Richard Ivy

James Kelly

Francis Poythres

Philip Bruce

William Gill

Edward Morris

Ira Ellis

Richard Whatcoat

John Haggerty

Nelson Reed

Joseph Cromwell

James Cromwell

Henry Willis

Thomas Foster

Joseph Everett

Lemuel Green

Freeborn Garrettsen

John Dickins.

Quest. 3.

Quest. 3. Who are the Deacons ?

<i>Ans.</i> Hope Hull	William Jessop
Isaac Smith	Jonathan Forrest
Thomas Ware	Samuel Riffin
Thomas Humphreys	John M'Claskey
Matthew Greentree	Ezekiel Cooper
Jeremiah Maston	James White
Thomas Williamson	Robert Sparks
Philip Cox	Garret Thompson
Thomas Anderson	George Moore
John Paup	Samuel Breeze
Richard Swift	Michael Lard
John Baldwin	William Thomas
John Smith	John Merrick
Henry Ogbourn	Robert Cloud
John Easter	Peter Moriarty
William Phœbus	Samuel Q. Talbott
Thomas Bowen	Cornelius Cook
Jacob Brush	Thomas Morrell.

Quest. 4. Who are admitted into full connection ?

<i>Ans.</i> Mark Moore	Jacob Lurton
Daniel Asbury	John Simmons
Charles Hardy	John Merrick
Henry Merritt	Samuel Q. Talbott
Michael Lard	Cornelius Cook
Lastley Matthews	Thomas Morrell.

Quest. 5. Who remain on trial ?

<i>Ans.</i> Lem. Andrews	David Haggard
Matthew Harris	Jeremiah Abel
Nathaniel Moore	Thomas Wetherford
Barnabas M'Henry	Lewis Chasteen
Micajah Tracy	Isaac Low
Benjamin Carter	James Conner
David Coombes	Elijah Phelps
Edward West	Richard Pearson
Jeremiah Minter	Charles Connaway
Daniel Lockett	George Callahaun

James Wilson
John Jarrall
Benjamin Roberts
George Haggerty
Francis Spry

Aaron Hutchinson
Nathaniel Mills
John Milburn
Daniel Coombes.

Quest. 6. Who are admitted on trial?

Answ. Bennet Maxey

William Mofs
Michael Burdge
James Mechem
Jesse Richardson
William Heath
Joseph Doddridge
John Hill
Peter Massey
Benjamin Snelling
Richard Pope
James Parks
Benjamin Barns
Archer Davis
Henry Birchett
Joshua Hartley
Stephen Davis
John Fore
Salathiel Weeks
Aquila Suggs
Isaac Lunsford
William M'Kentree
Dailey Beard
Joseph Dawson

James Thomas
John M'Gee
John Rowen
Eliphalet Reed
John Chalmers
John Allen
Emory Pryer
Valentine Cook
John Lee
Robert Green
George Wells
Griffith Callahaun
William Gasway
William Dougherty
Jethro Johnson
John Fleming
John Cooper
Samuel Wigton
John Bloodgood
Andrew Harpending
Lemuel Smith
David Candall
Darius Dunham
Lenox Martin.

Quest. 7. Who desist from travelling in connection with, and under the direction of, our conference?

Answ. Enoch Matson

Thomas Chew.

Adam Cloud

Quest 8. What Preachers have a partial location on account of their families, and are subject to the order of conference?

<i>Answ.</i> Caleb Boyer	Joseph Wyatt
Samuel Dudley	Michael Ellis
William Cannon	Ignatius Pigman.

Quest. 9. Who have died this year ?

Answ. Thomas Curtis, a Deacon, upright in his life, successful in his labours, and triumphant in his death : about seven years in the ministry.

John Major, a simple-hearted man, a living, loving soul, who died, as he lived, full of faith and the Holy Ghost : ten years in the work, useful and blameless.

Woolman Hickson, of promising genius and considerable preaching abilities ; upright in life, but soon snatched away from the work by a consumption, and in the midst of his usefulness : seven years in the work.

Elijah Ellis, a Deacon, four years in the work ; steady, solid, humble, diligent and faithful ; who spent himself in the work of God, in Lancaster.

Quest. 10. Are all the Preachers blameless in life and conversation ?

Answ. They were all strictly tried, one by one, before the conference.

Quest. 11. How are the Preachers stationed ?

Answ.

Richard Ivy, *Elder.*

Burke,	}	Moses Park,
		Bennet Maxey.
Richmond,	-	Matthew Harris.
Washington,	}	Hope Hull,
		James Connor.

Reuben Ellis, *Elder.*

Seleuda,	-	Lemuel Andrews
Broad-River,	-	William Partridge.
Edisto,	}	Henry Bingham,
		William Gasway.
Charleston,	-	Ira Ellis.
Cainboy,		

Santee,

<i>Santee,</i>	}	John Smith,
	}	Hardy Herbert.
<i>Waxfaws,</i>	-	Michael Burdge.
<i>Pee Dee,</i>	}	Thomas Humphreys,
	}	Mark Moore.

John Tunnell, *Elder.*

<i>Tar-River,</i>	}	Henry Merritt,
	}	William Mofs,
	}	Daniel Lockett.
<i>Bladen,</i>	-	Thomas Hardy.
<i>New-River,</i>	}	Thomas Anderson,
	}	James Parks.
	}	Charles Hardy,
<i>Roan-Oak,</i>	}	William Heath,
	}	Michael Smith.
<i>Caswell,</i>	-	Isaac Low.
<i>New-Hope,</i>	}	Henry Ogbourn,
	}	John Ellis,
	}	Nathaniel Moore.
<i>Guilford,</i>	}	Jeremiah Abel,
	}	James Connor.
<i>Salisbury,</i>	}	John Baldwin,
	}	Dailey Beard.
<i>Yadkin,</i>	}	Sihon Smith,
	}	Micajah Tracy.
<i>Halifax,</i>	}	Edward West,
	}	John Askew.

Edward Morris, *Elder.*

<i>Holflein,</i>	}	Jeremiah Maston,
	}	Joseph Doddridge.
<i>French-Broad,</i>	-	Daniel Asbury.
<i>New-River,</i>	}	Thomas Ware,
	}	Jesse Richardson.
<i>Green-Briar,</i>	}	Richard Swift,
	}	Benjamin Carter.

		James Kelly, <i>Elder.</i>
<i>Anson,</i>	-	David Haggard.
<i>Bartie,</i>	}	James Mechem,
	}	Archer Davies.
<i>Camden</i>	}	Henry Birchett,
	}	J. Difnal.
<i>Portsmouth,</i>	-	John Barker.
	}	John Easter,
<i>Suffex,</i>	}	Lewis Grigg,
	}	Benjamin Barns.
<i>Brunswick,</i>	}	John Paup,
	}	Benjamin Ogdon.
<i>Amelia,</i>	}	Jeremiah Minter,
	}	Salathiel Weeks.
<i>Mecklenburg,</i>	}	Philip Cox,
	}	William M'Kentree.
<i>Buckingham,</i>	-	Joseph Dawson,
<i>Bedford,</i>	}	Joshua Hartley,
	}	Isaac Lunsford.
<i>Amberst,</i>	-	John Ford.
<i>Orange,</i>	}	Thomas Wetherford,
	}	Samuel Davis,
<i>Hanover,</i>	-	Richard Pope.
<i>Williamsburg,</i>	-	Lee Roy Cole.

		Philip Bruce, <i>Elder.</i>
<i>Gloucester,</i>	}	Stephen Johnson,
	}	Aquila Suggs.
<i>Lancaster,</i>	}	Thomas Bowen,
	}	John Chalmers.
<i>Fairfax,</i>	}	Garret Thomson,
	}	James Thomas.
<i>Berkley,</i>	}	Robert Ayres,
	}	Elijah Phelps.
<i>Allegany,</i>	}	Michael Lard,
	}	Lewis Chasteen.
<i>Rockingham,</i>	}	William Phœbus,
	}	James Rigg'n.

Nelson Reed, *Elder.*

<i>Bath,</i>	}	James Wilfon,
	}	John Rowen.
<i>Frederick,</i>	}	Eliphalet Reed,
	}	George Callahaun.
<i>Montgomery,</i>	}	Robert Green,
	}	John Allen.
<i>Calvert,</i>	}	Jonathan Forrest,
	}	Valentine Cook.
<i>Little-York,</i>	-	John Hill.
<i>Baltimore,</i>	}	Ezekiel Cooper,
	}	Francis Spry.
<i>Huntington,</i>	}	Samuel Breeze,
	}	Daniel Coombes.
<i>Annapolis,</i>	-	John Haggerty.
<i>Hartford,</i>	}	John Cooper,
	}	George Haggerty.

Richard Whatcoat, *Elder.*

<i>Cecil,</i>	}	John Smith,
	}	George Wells,
<i>Kent,</i>	}	William Gill.
	}	William Thomas.
	}	Thomas Foster,
<i>Talbot,</i>	}	John Jarrell,
	}	Lenox Martin.
<i>Dorset,</i>	}	Robert Sparks,
	}	William Jessop.
<i>Annameffex,</i>	-	Christopher Spry.
<i>Somerset,</i>	}	James White,
	}	Emory Pryer.
<i>Northampton,</i>	}	Jacob Brush,
	}	Levin Rofs.
	}	Joseph Everett,
<i>Caroline,</i>	}	Matthew Greentree,
	}	Benjamin Roberts.

<i>Dover,</i>	}	George Moore,
	}	Benton Riggin.
<i>Clarksburg,</i>	}	John Simmons,
	}	Griffith Callahaun.
<i>Redstone,</i>	}	Jacob Lurton,
	}	Lastley Matthews.
<i>Ohio,</i>	}	R Pearson,
	}	John Todd.
<i>Pittsburg,</i>	-	Charles Connaway.

<i>Philadelphia,</i>		Lemuel Green, <i>Elder.</i>
<i>Chester,</i>	}	Robert Cann,
	}	John Milburne.
<i>Bristol,</i>	-	William Dougherty.

James Cromwell, *Elder.*

<i>Salem,</i>	}	Joseph Cromwell,
	}	Nathaniel Mills,
	}	John Cooper.
<i>Trenton,</i>	}	John Merrick,
	}	Thomas Morrell,
	}	Jethro Johnson.
<i>Elizabeth,</i>	}	John M'Clasky,
	}	Simon Pile.
<i>Flanders,</i>	}	Jesse Lee,
	}	Aaron Hutchinson,
	}	John Lee,

Henry Willis, *Elder.*

<i>New-York,</i>	-	John Dickins.
<i>Long-Island,</i>	-	Robert Cloud.

Freeborn Garrettson, *Elder.*

<i>New-Rochell,</i>	}	Peter Moriarty,
	}	Albert Van Nostrand.

Dutchess,

<i>Dutchess,</i>	}	Cornelius Cook.
		Andrew Harpending.
<i>Shoreham,</i>	-	Darius Dunham.
<i>New-City,</i>	}	Samuel Talbott,
		David Candall.
<i>Cambridge,</i>	-	Lemuel Smith.
<i>Lake-Champlain,</i>		Samuel Wigton.

Francis Poythress, James Haw, *Elders.*

<i>Lexington,</i>	}	Thomas Williamson,
		Peter Massey,
		Benjamin Snelling.
<i>Danville,</i>	-	Wilson Lee.
<i>Cumberland,</i>	}	David Coombes,
		Barnabas M'Henry.

Quest. 11. What numbers are in society?

		Whites.	Blacks.
<i>Answ. Burke</i>	- - -	82	—
Richmond	- - -	345	22
Washington	- - -	707	71
Broad-River	- - -	460	29
Edisto	- - -	340	25
Charleston	- - -	50	65
Cainhoy	- - -	36	24
Santee	- - -	225	20
Pee Dee	- - -	885	50
Seleuda	- - -	230	11
Waxfaws	- - -	20	—
Bladen	- - -	35	—
New-River	- - -	660	265
Roan-Oak	- - -	641	218
Tar-River	- - -	818	87
New Hope	- - -	450	30
Caswell	- - -	300	12
Guilford	- - -	406	22
Salisbury	- - -	350	19

Yadkin

	Whites.	Blacks.
Yadkin	500	20
Holstein	360	3
Bartie	330	60
Camden	413	39
Portsmouth	390	259
Suffex	1204	407
Brunswick	1249	355
Amelia	630	177
Mecklenburg	950	159
Halifax	417	23
Orange	384	16
Amherst	139	17
Bedford	373	34
Greenbrier	210	5
Buckingham	222	12
Hanover	220	—
Williamsburg	230	5
Gloucester,	541	56
Lancaster	500	180
Fairfax	350	18
Berkley	285	36
Rockingham	60	—
Allegany	417	17
Clarksburg	116	—
Ohio	353	4
Lexington	200	10
Danville	220	50
Cumberland	59	4
West New-River	372	8
Northampton	214	46
Bath	309	10
Frederick	749	91
Calvert	505	842
Annapolis	60	70
Baltimore	950	269
Cecil	—	—

Kent

Kent	-	-	-	840	760
Talbot	-	-	-	1077	524
Dorset	-	-	-	721	264
Annameffex	-	-	-	347	57
Somerfet	-	-	-	500	60
Caroline	-	-	-	730	275
Dover	-	-	-	669	209
Philadelphia	-	-	-	270	17
Chester	-	-	-	372	—
Bristol	-	-	-	32	—
Little-York	-	-	-	138	—
Huntingdon	-	-	-	59	—
Redstone	-	-	-	290	—
Salem	-	-	-	704	24
Trenton	-	-	-	526	—
Elizabeth	-	-	-	220	14
Flanders	-	-	-	555	3
New-York	-	-	-	276	54
Long-Island	-	-	-	230	9
New-Rochelle	-	-	-	522	3
Dutchess	-	-	-	10	—
Total	-	-	-	<u>30,809</u>	<u>6,545</u>

Quest. 12. What is contributed for the yearly expense?

Answ. £. 185 18 5, which was applied towards making up the deficiencies of the Preachers; many of whom after all, did not receive more than eighteen or twenty pounds, and several not more than fifteen pounds per annum.

Quest. 13. What is contributed towards the fund for the superannuated Preachers, with the widows and orphans of Preachers?

Answ. £. 35 4 2.

N. B. The conferences for the ensuing year, are to be held at Georgia, Monday March 9,—Charleston

ton, Tuesday March 17,—North-Carolina, Saturday
 April 11, at M^cKnight's church,—Peterburg, Sun-
 day April 18,—Leesburg, Tuesday April 28,—Bal-
 timore, Monday May 4,—Cokesbury, Saturday May
 9,—Chester Town, Wednesday May 13,—Philadel-
 phia, Monday May 18,—Trenton, Saturday May
 23,—New-York, Thursday May 28.

MINUTES

M I N U T E S

TAKEN AT THE SEVERAL C O N F E R E N C E S

OF THE

Methodist Episcopal Church,

FOR THE YEAR

1789.



Quest. 1. WHO are the persons that exercise the Episcopal Office in the Methodist Church in Europe and America?

*Ans. John Wesley, Thomas Coke, and Francis Asbury, by regular order and succession.**

Quest. 2. Who have been elected by the unanimous suffrages of the General Conference, to superintend the Methodist connection in America?

Ans. Thomas Coke, Francis Asbury.

Quest. 3. Who are the Elders?

<i>Ans. Richard Ivy</i>	Ira Ellis
Hope Hull	John Tunnell
Moses Park	Edward Morris
Reuben Ellis	Isaac Smith
Beverly Allen	James Kelly

Philip

* See the 4th Section of the 5th Edition of our Form of Discipline.

Philip Bruce	Joseph Everett
John Easter	Thomas Foster
Philip Cox	Henry Willis
Francis Poythress	Lemuel Green
James Haw	James Cromwell
Nelson Reed	Joseph Cromwell
John Haggerty	Freeborn Garrettson
Ezekiel Cooper	John Dickins
Jonathan Forrest	Robert Cloud
Richard Whatcoat	Thomas Morrell.
<i>Quest. 4. Who are the Deacons ?</i>	
<i>Ans.</i> James Connor	Thomas Bowen
Matthew Harris	Garret Thompson
Mark Moore	William Phœbus
Edward West	Thomas Williamson
David Haggard	Michael Lard
Jeremiah Abel	Samuel Breeze
Isaac Low	George Haggerty
Daniel Asbury	John Hill
Henry Merritt	George Moore
Sihon Smith	William Jessop
Mark Whitaker	Robert Sparks
Thomas Ware	William Thomas
Thomas Humphreys	Matthew Greentree
Thomas Anderson	Jacob Brush
Jeremiah Mastin	John Smith
James Riffin	Joseph Wyatt
Henry Ogbourn	Thomas Jackson
Richard Swift	Benton Riffin
John Baldwin	Levin Ross
Charles Hardy	John Merrick
John Paup	John M'Clasky
Stephen Johnson	Cornelius Cook
Thomas Weatherford	Peter Moriarty
Jeremiah Minter	Samuel Talbott
Henry Jones	Jacob Lurton.

Quest. 5. Who are admitted into full connection?

Ans. Matthew Harris

James Connor
Michael Burdge
Lemuel Andrews
Daniel Lockett
Barnabas M'Kentree
Micajah Tracy
Benjamin Carter
Edward West
David Haggard
Jeremiah Abel
Isaac Low
Jeremiah Minter
Thomas Weatherford
Joshua Hartley

John Barker
Lewis Chasteen
George Haggeity
John Hill
James Wilson
Benton Riggins
Benjamin Roberts
John Jarrell
Christopher Spry
John Milburne
Nathaniel Mills
Aaron Hutchinson
Andrew Harpending
John Bloodgood.

Quest. 6. Who remain on trial?

Ans. Bennet Maxey

William Gassaway
Hardy Herbert
James Parks
Daily Beard
John M'Gee
William Moss
Joseph Doddridge
Jesse Richardson
John Ellis
Richard Pope
Aicher Davies
Benjamin Barns
Henry Birchett
Salathiel Weeks
Aquila Suggs
James Mechem
Peter Massey
Julius Connor
William Heath

Stephen Davies
John Fore
William M'Kentree
Lewis Dawson
Isaac Lunsford
Thomas Hardy
John Chalmers
Thornton Flemming
George Wells
James Thomas
Benjamin Snelling
John Rowen
Eliphalet Reed
Griffith Callahaun
John Allen
Robert Green
Valentine Cook
Daniel Coombes
Aquila Edwards
Lenox Martin

L

William

William Dougherty	Lemuel Smith
John Cooper	David Candall
Jethro Johnson	Darius Dunham
Emory Pryer	Samuel Wigton
John Lee	Albert Van Nostrand.

Quest. 7. Who are admitted on trial ?

<i>Answ.</i> John Andrew	Benjamin Brown
Wheeler Griffom	William M'Lennahan
John Crawford	Nicholas Sebrell
Lemuel Moore	Pemberton Smith
John Russell	Thomas Carroll
William M'Dowell	Daniel Fidler
Jonathan Jackson	John Childs
Philip Matthews	Joshua Wells
Henry Leadbetter	Thomas Workman
Jonathan Bird	Jeremiah Causden
John Robinson	William Jackson
Myles Green	Joseph Benson
Jesse Nicholson	Walter Fountain
William Spencer	William Ratcliff
Rice Haggard	James Campbell
Daniel Southall	William Ward
John Lindsay	Anthony Banning
Wyat Andrews	Richard Swain
Christopher Mooring	Sylvester Hutchinson,
Stephen Brooks	Benjamin Abbott
John Hutt	William Lofee.

Quest. 8. Who desists from travelling with, and under the direction of, our conference ?

Answ. Robert Ayres.

Quest. 9. What Preacher has a partial location on account of his family, and is subject to the order of the conference ?

Answ. William Partridge.

Quest. 10. Who have died this year ?

Answ. Henry Bingham, a native of Virginia, four years

years a labourer in the vineyard, serious, faithful zealous, humble and teachable, and during part of the last year more than commonly successful; fervent in exhortation during his sickness, and resigned in death.

William Gill, a native of Delaware, an Elder in the church, and a labourer in it for about twelve years, blameless in life of quick and solid parts, sound in the faith, clear in his judgment, meek in his spirit, resigned and solemnly happy in his death.

John Cooper, fifteen years in the work, quiet, inoffensive and blameless; a son of affliction, subject to dejection, sorrow and suffering; often in want, but too modest to complain, till observed and relieved by his friends. He died in peace.

James White, a native of Maryland, about eight years in the work, a simple-hearted man and a lively preacher, afflicted yet active and laborious, soft and kind in his affections, patient in suffering, well received and much esteemed, successful in the work of God, resigned in his death.

Francis Spry, a pious man, skilful and lively in his preaching, sound in judgment, holy in his life, placid in his mind, of unshaken confidence and patience in his death; four years a labourer in the vineyard.

Quest. 11. Are all the Preachers blameless in life and conversation?

Answ. They were all strictly tried, one by one, before the conference.

Quest. 12. How are the Preachers stationed?

Answ. As follows:

		Richard Ivy, Elder.
Washington,	}	Moses Park,
		Wyat Andrews.
Richmond,	}	Matthew Harris,
		Wheeler Grifflom.

Burke,

Burke,	}	Hope Hull,
Augusta,		Bennet Maxey.
	-	James Connor.

Reuben Ellis, *Elder.*

Cherokee,	}	John Andrew,
		Philip Matthews.
Sealeuda,	-	John Crawford.
Broad-River,	}	Michael Burdge,
		William McDowell.
Bush-River,	-	William Gassaway.
Santee,	}	Mark Moore,
		John Russell,
Edisto,	}	Isaac Smith,
		Lemuel Andrews.
Charleston,	-	Ira Ellis.
Great Pee-Dee,	}	Aquila Sugge,
		Hardy Heibert.
Little Pee-Dee,	}	Thomas Humphreys,
		Lemuel Moore.
Anson,	}	John Ellis,
		Jonathan Jackson.

Bladen,	Edward Morris, <i>Elder,</i>	
New-Hope,	}	
		Thomas Anderson,
	Daily Beard.	
East New-River,	}	
		Jeremiah Mafton,
	Daniel Lockett.	
	Charles Hardy,	
Tar-River,	}	
		Micajah Tracy,
	Myles Smith.	
Pamlico,	-	James Park.
	}	Henry Merritt,
Roan Oak,		Edward West,
	Jonathan Bird.	
	}	Thomas Ware,
Caswell,		Henry Leadbetter.

Guilford,

<i>Guilford,</i>	}	Isaac Low,
	}	Benjamin Carter.
<i>Salisbury,</i>	}	Sihon Smith,
	}	Julius Connor,
	}	Josiah Askew.
<i>Yadkin,</i>	}	Daniel Asbury,
	}	John M'Gee.

John Tunnell, *Elder.*

<i>Holstein,</i>	}	John Baldwin,
	}	Mark Whitaker.
<i>West New-River,</i>	}	Jeremiah Abel,
	}	Joseph Doddridge.
<i>Greenbrier,</i>	}	James Riffin,
	}	Jesse Richardson.
<i>Botetourt,</i>	-	Henry Ogbourn.

James Kelly, *Elder.*

<i>Halifax,</i>	}	David Haggard,
	}	William Moss,
	}	William Heath.
<i>Mecklenburg,</i>	-	John Paup.
<i>Bedford,</i>	-	Richard Pope.
<i>Cumberland,</i>	}	John Barker.
	}	William M'Kentree.
<i>Amelia,</i>	}	John Easter,
	}	John Fore.
<i>Brunswick,</i>	}	Jeremiah Minter.
	}	Myles Green.
<i>Suffex,</i>	}	Stephen Johnson,
	}	Stephen Davies.
	}	John Lindsay.
<i>Greenville,</i>	-	James Mechem.
<i>Bartie,</i>	}	Henry Birchett.
	}	Jesse Nicholson.
<i>Camden,</i>	}	Rice Haggard,
	}	Daniel Southall.

<i>Portsmouth,</i>	}	Archer Davies,
	}	Lewis Dawson.
<i>Williamsburg,</i>	}	John Robertson,
	}	William Spencer.
<i>Hanover,</i>	}	Thomas Weatherford,
	}	Christopher Mooring.
<i>Orange,</i>	}	Thomas Hardy
	}	Salathiel Weeks,
	}	Benjamin Barns.

		Philip Bruce, <i>Elder.</i>
<i>Rockingham</i>	-	Samuel Breeze,
<i>Allegany,</i>	}	James Thomas,
	}	John Hutt.
<i>Berkley,</i>	}	Thornton Flemming
	}	Benjamin Brown.
<i>Fairfax,</i>	}	Thomas Bowen,
	}	John Chalmers,
	}	Benjamin Snelling.
<i>Lancaster,</i>	}	Garret Thompson,
	}	Isaac Lunsford.
<i>Gloucester,</i>	}	Lewis Chasteen,
	}	Valentine Cook,
	}	Thomas Scott,
		Philip Cox, Travelling Book-Steward.

		Nelson Reed, <i>Elder.</i>
<i>Calvert,</i>	}	Lenox Martin.
	}	Robert Green.
<i>Annapolis,</i>	-	Ezekiel Cooper.
<i>Baltimore,</i>	-	John Haggerty.
<i>Fell's Point,</i>	-	Thomas Foster.
<i>Montgomery,</i>	}	James Wilson,
	}	John Childs.
<i>Frederick,</i>	-	John Hill.
<i>Bath,</i>	}	George Haggerty,
	}	Joshua Wells.

Huntingdon,

<i>Huntingdon,</i>	}	Michael Lard.
	}	Thomas Workman.
<i>Little York,</i>	-	Jonathan Forrest.
<i>Hartford,</i>	}	John Allen,
	}	John Rowen.
<i>Baltimore circuit,</i>		Benton Riggin.

Richard Whatcoat, Joseph Everett, *Elders.*

<i>Cecil,</i>	}	George Moore,
	}	Benjamin Roberts.
<i>Kent,</i>	}	Matthew Greentree,
	}	Walter Fountain.
<i>Talbot,</i>	}	John Smith,
	}	John Milburne.
<i>Dorset,</i>	}	John Jarrell.
	}	Anthony Banning.
<i>Annamesset,</i>	-	William Ward.
<i>Somerfet,</i>	}	Eliphalet Reed,
	}	Griffith Callahaun.
<i>Northampton,</i>	}	Christopher Spry,
	}	Jeremiah Causden.
<i>Caroline,</i>	}	Robert Sparks,
	}	Joseph Benson.
<i>Milford,</i>	}	Thomas Jackson,
	}	William Ratcliff.
<i>Dover circuit</i>	}	William Thomas,
	}	Levin Ross.
<i>Dover and</i>	}	
<i>Duck-Creek,</i>	}	Jacob Bruffa,

Henry Willis,		Lemuel Green, <i>Elders.</i>
<i>Wilmington,</i>	-	William Jessop,
<i>Chesler,</i>	}	William Dougherty,
	}	James Campbell.
<i>Philadelphia,</i>	-	John Dickins, Book-Steward.
<i>Bristol,</i>	-	Robert Cann.

Clarksburg,

<i>Clarksburg,</i>	}	Jacob Lurton,
	}	Lastley Matthews.
<i>Redstone,</i>	}	John Simmons.
	}	Nicholas Sebrell.
<i>Pittsburg,</i>	}	Charles Connaway,
	}	Pemberton Smith.
<i>Ohio,</i>	}	Richard Pearson,
	}	Thomas Carroll.

James Cromwell, *Elder.*

<i>Salem</i>	}	Simon Pile,
	}	Jethro Johnson,
	}	Sylvester Hutchinson.
<i>Trenton,</i>	}	Joseph Cromwell,
	}	Richard Swain.
<i>Burlington,</i>	}	John M'Clasky,
	}	William Jackson.
<i>Flanders,</i>	}	Aaron Hutchinson,
	}	Daniel Coombes.
<i>Eliz. Town,</i>	}	John Merrick,
	}	John Cooper.
<i>Newburg,</i>	}	Nathaniel Mills,
	}	Andrew Harpending,

Freeborn Garrettson, *Elder.*

<i>New-York,</i>	}	Thomas Morrell,	} each for 4 months.
	}	Robert Cloud,	
	}	John Merrick,	
<i>Long-Island,</i>	}	William Phœbus,	
	}	John Lee.	
<i>New Rochelle</i>	}	Peter Moriarty,	
	}	Lemuel Smith.	
<i>Dutchess,</i>	}	Samuel Talbot,	
	}	Benjamin Abbott.	
<i>Columbia,</i>	}	John Bloodgood.	
	}	Samuel Wigton.	
<i>Cambridge,</i>	-	Darius Dunham.	

<i>Lake Champlaine,</i>	}	David Kendall,
		William Lofee.
<i>Camar's Patent,</i>		John Crawford,
<i>Standford,</i>	}	Jesse Lee,
		Albert Van Nostrand.
<i>Shenebada,</i>	}	Lemuel Smith,
		Cornelius Cook.

Francis Poythress, *Elder.*

<i>Lexington,</i>	}	James Haw,
		Wilson Lee,
		Stephen Brooks.
<i>Danville,</i>	}	Barnabas M. Kentree,
		Peter Massey.
<i>Cumberland,</i>	}	Thomas Williamson,
		Joshua Hartley.

Quest. 13. What numbers are there in society?

			Whites.	Blacks.
<i>Ans. Washington</i>	-	-	900	148
Richmond	-	-	545	30
Burke	-	-	297	4
Augusta	-	-	87	
Cherokee	-	-	78	10
Seleuda	-	-	231	11
Broad River	-	-	411	18
Edisto	-	-	340	25
Charleston	-	-	52	69
Cainhoy	-	-	27	12
Santee	-	-	420	63
Anson	-	-	561	23
Great Pee Dee	-	-	369	39
Little Pee Dee	-	-	598	20
Tar-River	-	-	878	131
Bladen	-	-	34	
East New-River	-	-	730	420
Roan-Oak	-	-	758	321
Caswell	-	-	351	43
				New-Hope

			Whites.	Blacks.
New-Hope	-	-	527	31
Guilford	-	-	410	22
Salisbury	-	-	480	27
Yadkin	-	-	345	7
Bartie	-	-	510	20
Camden	-	-	424	85
Cumberland	-	-	225	
Holstein	-	-	411	9
West New-River	-	-	299	6
Greenbrier	-	-	222	5
Botetourt	-	-	40	
Halifax	-	-	470	54
Portsmouth	-	-	480	473
Suffex	-	-	1300	508
Brunswick	-	-	1182	318
Amelia	-	-	754	154
Mecklenburg	-	-	692	98
Cumberland, V.	-	-	394	10
Bedford	-	-	221	20
Orange	-	-	616	71
Hanover	-	-	497	183
Williamsburg	-	-	274	50
Gloucester	-	-	657	62
Lancaster	-	-	630	244
Fairfax	-	-	474	76
Berkley	-	-	325	36
Allegany	-	-	499	21
Rockingham	-	-	79	5
Northampton	-	-	360	84
Lexington	-	-	402	21
Danville	-	-	410	30
Bath	-	-	400	34
Frederick	-	-	322	56
Montgomery	-	-	648	103
Annapolis	-	-	128	141
Calvert	-	-	943	909
				Baltimore

	Whites.	Blacks.
Baltimore - - -	719	218
Hartford - - -	451	110
Cecil - - -	257	252
Kent - - -	616	637
Talbot - - -	1006	608
Dorset - - -	685	347
Annameffex - - -	135	10
Somerfet - - -	400	48
Caroline - - -	705	229
Dover - - -	509	227
Chester - - -	228	18
Wilmington - - -	43	19
Bristol - - -	51	2
Little-York - - -	151	
Philadelphia - - -	256	17
Huntingdon - - -	185	4
Redstone - - -	290	
Salem - - -	680	24
Trenton (3 Indians) - - -	527	5
Elizabeth-Town - - -	216	13
Flanders - - -	281	2
New-York - - -	290	70
Long-Island - - -	215	9
New-Rochelle - - -	725	6
Dutcheffs - - -	200	3
Columbia - - -	60	1
Cambridge - - -	154	
Coeman's Patent - - -	10	
Newburg - - -	257	4
Total - - -	<u>35,019</u>	<u>8,243</u>

Quest. 14. What has been contributed for the yearly expenses?

Answ. Near £. 171, which has been applied towards making up the deficiencies of the preachers.

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Quest. 15. What is contributed towards the fund for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

Ans. £. 65 5 0.

As a very few persons have, in some respects, mistaken our meaning in the 32d Section of our Form of Discipline, "On bringing to trial disorderly persons, &c." we think it necessary to explain it.

When a member of our Society is to be tried for any offence, the officiating Minister or Preacher is to call together all the members, if the Society be small, or a select number, if it be large, to take knowledge, and give advice, and bear witness to the justice of the whole process; that improper and private expulsions may be prevented for the future.

Quest. 16. When and where shall our next Conferences be held?

Ans. In Charleston, Monday, February 15.—Georgia, Wednesday, March 3.—Kentucky, Monday, April 26.—Holstein, Monday, May 17.—North-Carolina, Monday, May 24.—Lane's Church, Monday, June 14.—Union-Town, Thursday, July 29.—Leesburg, Thursday, August 26.—Baltimore, Monday, September 6.—Cokesbury, Saturday, September 11.—Duck-Creek, Thursday, September 16.—Philadelphia, Wednesday, September 22.—Burlington, Tuesday, September 28.—New-York, Monday, October 4.



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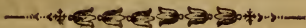
TAKEN AT THE SEVERAL C O N F E R E N C E S

OF THE

Methodist Episcopal Church,

FOR THE YEAR

1790.



*Quest. 1. **W**HO are admitted on trial?*

Ans^w. James Powell

Francis Parker

Arthur Lipsey

John Bonner

John Halliday

Samuel Tucker

Joseph Lillard

Daniel Shines

Daniel Dean

John West

Benjamin Blanton

Rufus Wiley

John Sproul

Simon Carlisle

Enoch George

George M'Kenney

Thomas Easter

Hezekiah Arnold

Gregory Johnson

Samuel Cowles

Samuel Rudder

John Jones

Benjamin Wilson

William A. Lilly

John Pace

John Ball

Morris Howe

Joseph Wynn

M

George

George Cannon
Thomas Hayman
John N. Jones
James Flemming
Daniel Hall
Stewart Redman
Nathaniel Pinkard
Thomas Boyd
George Pickering
Fredus Aldridge

Evan Rogers
Thomas Bell
Gamaliel Bailey
Joseph Lovell
Thomas Everard
Philip Wager
Henry Christie
Mensis Rainor
Matthias Swaim.

Quest. 2. Who remain on trial ?

Ans. John Ruffel
William M'Dowell
Lemuel Moore
Hardy Herbert
Wheeler Griffom
John Andrew
John Crawford
Philip Matthews
Wyat Andrews
Stephen Brooks
Jonathan Bird
Henry Leadbetter
Daniel Southall
Nicholas Sebrell
Pemberton Smith
Newet Vick
Christopher Mooring
John Kobler
William Spencer
Daniel Stringer
Joshua Cannon

Richard Parrot
Daniel Fidler
Thomas Scott
Stephen G. Roszell
Daniel Hitt
Martin Hitt
William M'Lennahan
William Calbert
John Reagan
Charles Burgoon
Jeremiah Causden
Walter Fountain
William Ward
James Bell
Richard Swain
William Jackson
Robert Hutchinson
Robert Bonsfall
William Losee
Daniel Smith
George Roberts.

Quest. 3. Who are admitted into full connection ?

Ans. Aquila Suggs
William Gassaway
John Ellis
Jonathan Jackson

Bennet Maxey
Peter Massey
James Parks
John M'Gee

Jesse Richardson
 Joseph Doddridge
 Julius Connor
 Josias Askew
 Benjamin Barnes
 Henry Birchett
 Stephen Davies
 William M. Kentree
 Thomas Hardy
 John Robinson
 John Lindsay
 Rice Haggard
 William Heath
 Jesse Nicholson
 James Mechem
 Archer Davies
 John Fore
 William Mofs
 Salathiel Weeks
 Anthony Banning
 Isaac Lunsford
 George Wells
 Thornton Flemming

Benjamin Brown
 Valentine Cook
 John Hutt
 Lewis Dawson
 Joshua Wells
 John Allen
 Robert Green
 John Rowen
 Eliphalet Reed
 John Chalmers
 Griffith Callahaun
 James Thomas
 William Dougherty
 Jethro Johnson
 Sylvester Hutchinson
 John Cooper
 John Lee
 Lemuel Smith
 David Kendall
 Darius Dunham
 Samuel Wigton
 James Campbell
 Benjamin Abbott.

Quest. 4. Who are the Deacons ?

Ans. Michael Burdge

Lemuel Andrews
 William Gassaway
 Jonathan Jackson
 Matthew Harris
 Daniel Lockett
 Benjamin Carter
 James Parks
 John M'Gee
 Josias Askew
 Jesse Richardson
 William Heath
 John Fore

Anthony Banning
 Rice Haggard
 Joshua Wells,
 John Allen
 Robert Green
 John Rowen
 Benjamin Brown
 Isaac Lunsford
 Thornton Flemming
 Valentine Cook
 George Wells
 Christopher Spry
 John Jarrell

Benjamin

Benjamin Barns
 James Mechem
 William Mofs
 John Robinson
 John Lindsay
 Stephen Davies
 Archer Davies
 William M'Kentree
 Jesse Nicholson
 Henry Birchett
 Thomas Hardy
 John Barker
 Edward West
 David Haggard
 Daniel Asbury
 Joseph Doddridge

Quest. 5. Who are the Elders?

Ans. Rd. Whatcoat

Reuben Ellis
 Beverly Allen
 Ira Ellis
 Isaac Smith
 Thomas Humphreys
 Hope Hull
 Richard Ivy
 Moses Park
 Francis Poythress
 James Haw
 Wilson Lee
 Thomas Williamson
 Barnabas M'Henry
 Thomas Bowen
 Thomas Anderson
 John Baldwin
 Thomas Ware
 Henry Merriitt
 Charles Hardy

Emory Pryer
 John Milburne
 Eliphalet Reed
 John Chalmers
 Griffith Callahaun
 James Thomas
 Sylvester Hutchinson
 Andrew Harpending
 Lemuel Smith
 Darius Dunham
 Samuel Wigton
 David Kendall
 John Lee
 Benjamin Abbott
 John Hill.

Mark Whitaker
 Isaac Low
 Jeremiah Abel
 James Kelly
 Philip Cox
 John Easter
 John Paup
 Jeremiah Minter
 Thomas Weatherford
 Benton Riggin
 Lemuel Green
 Lee Roy Cole
 Charles Connaway
 George Callahaun
 Jacob Lurton
 Nelson Reed
 Ezekiel Cooper
 Jonathan Forrest
 Samuel Breeze
 Amos Garret Thompson
 Lewis

Lewis Chasteen	Aaron Hutchinson
Joseph Everett	Simon Pile
Thomas Foster	John Haggerty
John Dickins	Robert Cloud
William Jessop	Thomas Morrell
William Thomas	Freeborn Garrettson
George Moore	Jacob Brush
Joseph Wyatt	Nathaniel Mills
Robert Sparks	William Phœbus
Robert Cann	Jesse Lee
Joseph Cromwell	Peter Moriarty
James Cromwell	John Bloodgood
John M'Clasky	George Haggerty.
John Merrick	

Quest. 6. Who have been elected by the unanimous suffrages of the General Conference, to superintend the Methodist-Episcopal Church in America?

Ans. Thomas Coke, Francis Asbury.

Quest. 7. Who are the persons that exercise the Episcopal Office in the Methodist Church in Europe and America?

*Ans. John Wesley, Thomas Coke, and Francis Asbury, by regular order and succession.**

Quest 8. Who are under a location through weakness of body or family concerns?

<i>Ans. Edward Morris</i>	Matthew Greentree
Jeremiah Mastin	Levin Rofs
John Todd	Benjamin Roberts
Thomas Jackson	Henry Willis.

Quest. 9. Who have died this year?

Ans. Cornelius Cook, a native of Britain, but convinced, converted and called to preach in America. He was a faithful labourer and patient sufferer, while he was employed in the church for three years;

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and

* See the 4th Section of the 5th Edition of our Form of Discipline.

and departed in peace and confidence, in the month of August 1789.

James Connor, a native of Buckingham county in the state of Virginia; two years and a half in the work; a pious, solid, understanding man; his gifts were improvable, and promised usefulness to the church. In the midst of a blameless life, he was suddenly taken away from labour and suffering, and blessed with confidence in his last moments.

John Tunnell, who died of a consumption at the Sweet-Springs, in July 1790. He was about thirteen years in the work of the ministry; a man of solid piety, great simplicity, and godly sincerity; well known and much esteemed both by ministers and people. He had travelled extensively through the states, and declined in sweet peace.

Quest. 10. Are all the Preachers blameless in life and conversation?

Ans. Their characters were strictly examined, one by one, before the conferences.

Quest. 11. How are the Preachers stationed?

Ans. As follows;

Reuben Ellis, *Elder.*

<i>Santee,</i>	}	Lemuel Andrews,
	}	Josias Askew.
<i>Edisto,</i>	}	Michael Burdge,
	}	Aquila Suggs.
<i>Cherokee,</i>	}	Wyat Andrews,
	}	Hubert Saunders,
<i>Charleston,</i>	-	Isaac Smith.
<i>Seleuda,</i>	-	John Russell,
	}	William A. Lilly,
<i>Great Pee Dee,</i>	}	John Bonner.
<i>Bush-River,</i>	-	James Powell,
	}	William Gaffaway,
<i>Little Pee Dee,</i>	}	Arthur Lipsey.

Broad-River,

<i>Broad-River,</i>	}	John Ellis,
	}	Francis Parker.
<i>George-Town,</i>	}	Thomas Humphreys,
	}	Hardy Herbert.
<i>Catauba,</i>	-	Jonathan Jackson.

Richard Ivy, *Elder.*

<i>Washington,</i>	-	Matthew Harris.
<i>Richmond,</i>	}	Bennet Maxey,
	}	John Halliday.
<i>Burke,</i>	}	John Andrew,
	}	Wheeler Griffom.
<i>Savannah,</i>	}	John Crawford,
	}	Philip Matthews.
<i>Savannah Town</i>		Hope Hull.

Francis Poythress, *Elder.*

<i>Danville,</i>	}	Thomas Williamfon,
	}	Stephen Brooks.
<i>Cumberland,</i>	}	Wilson Lee,
	}	James Haw,
	}	Peter Maffey.
<i>Madison,</i>	}	Barnabas M'Henry,
	}	Benjamin Sneking.
<i>Limestone,</i>	}	Samuel Tucker,
	}	Joseph Lillard.
<i>Lexington,</i>	}	Henry Birchett,
	}	David Haggard.

Charles Hardy, *Elder.*

<i>West New-River,</i>		Daniel Shines.
<i>Ruffel,</i>	}	Daniel Lockett,
	}	Joseph Pace.
<i>Holstein,</i>	-	Julius Conner.
<i>Green,</i>	}	John M'Gee,
	}	John West.

Thomas.

Thomas Bowen, *Elder.*

<i>Yadkin,</i>	-	William M'Dowell.
<i>Lincoln,</i>	}	Daniel Asbury,
	}	Jesse Richardson.
<i>Salisbury,</i>	}	James Parks,
	}	John Sproul.
<i>Anson,</i>	-	Frederick Roper.

Thomas Anderson, *Elder.*

<i>Roan Oak,</i>	-	Daniel Massey.
<i>Pamlico,</i>	}	Henry Leadbetter,
	}	Enoch George.
<i>Guilford,</i>	}	Lemuel Moore.
	}	George M'Kenney.
<i>Caswell,</i>	}	Henry Merritt,
	}	Simon Carlisle.

Thomas Ware, *Elder.*

<i>New-Hope,</i>	}	Isaac Low,
	}	Rufus Wiley,
	}	Micajah Tracy.
<i>Bladen,</i>	-	Jonathan Bird.
<i>Tar-River,</i>	}	Mark Whitaker,
	}	Benjamin Carter.
<i>East New-River,</i>	}	Joshua Cannon,
	}	Morris Howe,
	}	Daniel Dean.
<i>Contentney,</i>	-	John Baldwin.
<i>Halifax,</i>	}	Thomas Weatherford,
	}	Daniel Southall.
<i>Mecklenburg,</i>	}	Jeremiah Minter,
	}	Edward Almond.
<i>Cumberland,</i>	}	John Lindsay,
	}	John Metcalf.

		James Kelly, <i>Elder.</i>
<i>Amelia,</i>	}	Archer Davies,
	}	John Kobler.
<i>Brunswick,</i>	}	John Easter,
	}	Thomas Easter.
<i>Greensville,</i>	}	William Heath,
	}	Newet Vick.
<i>Suffex,</i>	}	John Paup,
	}	John Fore.
<i>Bartie,</i>	}	Benton Riggin,
	}	Daniel Sringer,
	}	Joseph Wynn.
<i>Camden,</i>	}	Salathiel Weeks.
	}	Hezekiah Arnold.
<i>Portsmouth,</i>	}	Jesse Nicholson,
	}	William M ^c Kentree.
<i>Surry,</i>	}	John Robinson,
	}	William Spencer,
	}	Benjamin Wilson.
		Philip Cox, Travelling Book-Steward.

		Ira Ellis, Lee Roy Cole, <i>Elders.</i>
<i>Williamsburg,</i>	}	Stephen Roszell,
	}	Nicholas Sebrell.
<i>Gloucester,</i>	}	Benjamin Brown,
	}	Nathaniel Pinkard,
	}	John N. Jones.
<i>Hanover,</i>	}	Stephen Davies,
	}	William Mofs.
<i>Orange,</i>	}	James Mechem.
	}	Christopher Mooring.
<i>Bedford,</i>	}	Rice Haggard,
	}	Benjamin Barns.
<i>Amherst,</i>	}	John Hutt,
	}	Pemberton Smith.

Jeremiah Abel, *Elder.*

<i>Botetourt,</i>	-	Benjamin Blanton.
<i>Green-Briar,</i>	-	Lastley Matthews.
<i>Conauway,</i>	}	Jacob Lurton,
		Thomas Boyd.

Philip Bruce, *Elder.*

<i>Rockingham,</i>	}	Isaac Lunsford,
		Stewart Redman.
<i>Allegany,</i>	}	George Wells,
		Martin Hitt.
<i>Berkley,</i>	}	Lewis Chasteen,
		Thomas Scott.
<i>Stafford,</i>	}	Thornton Flemming,
		James Flemming.
<i>Fairfax,</i>	}	Samuel Breeze,
		Lewis Dawson.
<i>Lancaster,</i>	}	Valentine Cook,
		Daniel Hitt.

Nelson Reed, *Elder.*

<i>Calvert,</i>	}	John Hill,
		Charles Burgoon.
<i>South-River,</i>	}	Lemuel Green,
		George Browning,
<i>Annapolis,</i>	-	Ezekiel Cooper.
<i>Baltimore,</i>	-	Jeremiah Causden.
<i>Fell's Point,</i>	-	John Haggerty.
<i>Baltimore circuit,</i>	}	John Allen,
		William Calbert.
<i>Montgomery,</i>	}	George Haggerty,
		John Reagan.
<i>Frederick,</i>	}	Jonathan Forrest.
		John Simmons.
<i>Bath,</i>	}	Robert Green,
		Thomas Bell.
<i>Huntingdon,</i>	-	John Rowen.
<i>Little York,</i>	}	Michael Lard.
		Richard Parrot.

Hartford,

Hartford, } George Moore,
Joshua Wells.

Joseph Everett, *Elder.*

Cecil, } Emory Pryer.
Walter Fountain.

Kent, } Robert Sparks,
John Chalmers.

Talbot, } Eliphalet Reed,
William Ward.

Dorset, } James Wilson,
Griffith Callahaun.

Annamessex, } Joseph Wyatt,
George Roberts.

Somerset, } John Milburne,
John Jarrell.

Northampton, } Thomas Foster,
George Pickering.

Milford, } James Thomas,
Evan Rogers.

Dover, } Christopher Spry,
Fredus Aldridge.

William Thomas, Travelling Book-Steward.

Richard Whatcoat, *Elder.*

Wilmington, - John M'Clasky,

Chester, } Sylvester Hutchinson,
John Cooper.

Philadelphia, - Richard Whatcoat.

Bristol, - Robert Hutchinson.

John Dickins, Superintendent of the Printing and
Book-business.

Charles Connaway, *Elder.*

Randolph, - Anthony Banning.

Clarksburg, } William M'Lenahan,
George Cannon.

Redstone,

<i>Redstone,</i>	}	Amos G. Thompson,
	}	Thomas Hayman.
<i>Pittsburg,</i>	}	George Callahaun,
	}	Joseph Doddridge.
<i>Ohio,</i>	-	Daniel Fidler.

James Cromwell, *Elder.*

<i>Salem,</i>	}	Joseph Cromwell,
	}	William Dougherty:
<i>Bethel,</i>	}	Robert Cann,
	}	William Jackson.
<i>Burlington,</i>	}	John Merrick,
	}	James Bell.
<i>Trenton,</i>	}	Simon Pile,
	}	Aaron Hutchinson.
<i>Flanders,</i>	-	Richard Swain.

Thomas Morrel, *Elder.*

<i>New-York,</i>	}	Robert Cloud,
	}	William Jessop.
<i>Eliz. Town,</i>	}	Jethro Johnson,
	}	Gamaliel Bailey.
<i>Long-Island,</i>	-	David Kendall.
<i>New Rochelle</i>	}	William Phœbus,
	}	Matthias Swaim,
	}	Jacob Brush, <i>Supernumerary.</i>
<i>Newburg,</i>	}	Benjamin Abbott,
	}	Joseph Lovell.

Freeborn Garrettson, *Elder.*

<i>Dutchess,</i>	}	Peter Moriarty,
	}	Mensis Rainor.
<i>New Lebanon</i>	}	Lemuel Smith,
	}	Thomas Everard.
<i>Columbia,</i>	}	Andrew Harpending,
	}	John Crawford.
<i>Albany,</i>	-	James Campbell.

Cambridge,

Cambridge, } Darius Dunham,
 } Philip Wager.
Litchfield, } Samuel Wigton,
 } Henry Christie.

Jesse Lee, *Elder.*
Fairfield, - John Bloodgood.
New-Haven, - John Lee.
Hartford, - Nathaniel B. Mills.
Boston, } Jesse Lee,
 } Daniel Smith.

Quest. 12. What numbers are there in society ?

Answ.

	Whit.	Blac.		Whit.	Blac.
Washington	807	132	New-River	308	15
Richmond	543	29	Green-Brier	204	3
Burke	554	20	Botetourt	115	
Savanna circuit	206	3	Mecklenburg	480	30
Cherokee	194	8	Greensville	776	300
Seleuda	250	5	Brunswick	676	266
Bush-River	149	10	Suffex	690	145
Broad-River	400	95	Surry	677	244
Santee	334	93	Portsmouth	949	693
Edisto	530	121	Amelia	740	158
Charleston	51	77	Cumberland	351	34
George-Town	43	11	Bedford	370	150
Great Pee-Dee	274	43	Orange	527	109
Little Pee-Dee	737	33	Hanover	717	180
Bladen	167	61	Williamsburg	536	155
New Hope	416	74	Gloucester	918	100
Tar-River	1100	220	Lancaster	713	300
New-River	1019	492	Fairfax	775	175
Roan-Oak	834	413	Berkley	743	113
Bartie	634	97	Alleghany	374	21
Camden	585	218	Rockingham	287	48
Caswell	469	44	Clarksborg	265	4
Guilford	430	25	Ohio	260	
Yadkin	296	8	Northampton	525	159
Salisbury	438	29	Bath	324	10
Anson	495	50	Frederick	470	88
Lincoln	185	4	Montgomery	771	339
Holstein	450	14	Severn	665	360

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Calvert

	Whi.	Blac.		Whi.	Blac.
Calvert	814	1170	Burlington	353	12
Annapolis	122	185	Trenton	429	33
Baltimore Town	892	151	Elizabeth-Town	237	16
and Point			Flanders	322	7
Hartford	748	192	Newburg	324	8
Baltimore circuit	973	180	Long-Island	268	9
Cecil	362	332	New-York	522	102
Kent	750	411	New-Rochelle	774	
Talbot	794	532	Dutchess	405	5
Dorset	780	403	Columbia	379	3
Somerset	522	84	Cambridge	300	
Annamessex	300	46	Albany	264	3
Caroline	937	350	Fairfield	105	
Milford	879	236	Litchfield	66	1
Dover	889	350	New-Haven	9	
Wilmington	40	20	Limestone	66	
Chester	317	9	Lexington	424	32
Philadelphia	215	24	Madison	212	8
Bristol	53	7	Danville	322	26
Little-York	190	5	Cumberland	241	41
Huntingdon	190	4			
Redstone	334	6	Total	45949	11682
Pittsburg	97				
Salem	933	21			

Quest. 13. What is contributed towards the fund for the superannuated Preachers, with the widows and orphans of Preachers?

Answ. £. 59 1 2.

Quest. 14. How was this applied?

<i>Answ. For John Tunnell</i>	-	£. 19	8	10
<i>For William Glendenning,</i>	-	8	6	4
<i>For Henry Jones,</i>	- - -	6	6	4
<i>Balance in hand,</i>	- - -	24	19	8

£. 59 1 2

Quest. 15. What appears to be the remaining debt of Cokesbury college.

Answ. £. 860 11 2.

Quest. 16. What appears to be the number and expense of

of the charity-boys which are taken for the next year at Cokebury-college ?

Ans. There are 15 boys, who are wholly or partially on charity : and the expense of boarding, clothing and teaching them, is computed to be about £. 275 per annum.

Quest. 17. What can be done for the instruction of poor children (whites and blacks) to read ?

Ans. Let us labour, as the heart and soul of one man, to establish Sunday schools, in, or near the places of public worship. Let persons be appointed by the bishops, elders, deacons or preachers, to teach (gratis) all that will attend, and have a capacity to learn ; from six o'clock in the morning till ten ; and from two o'clock in the afternoon till six : where it does not interfere with public worship.

Quest. 18. When and where shall the next Conferences be held ?

Ans. At Charleston, Tuesday, Feb. 22.

Georgia, Wednesday, March 16.

M'Night's, North Carolina, April 2.

Petersburg, Wednesday, April 20.

Hanover, Tuesday, April 26.

Alexandria, Monday, May 2.

Baltimore, Friday, May 6.

Duck-Creek, May 13.

Philadelphia, Wednesday, May 18.

New York, Thursday, May 26.

Union Town, Thursday, July, 28.

Connecticut, July 23.

Albany District, Aug. 23.

Quest. 19. What are the deficiencies of the preachers' salaries since the last conference ?

Ans. £. 1071 5 3.

Quest. 20. What was collected as a partial supply for these deficiencies ?

Ans.

Answ. At the Baltimore conference there was a collection of £. 72 9 6. And as the brethren in the Kentucky and Ohio districts appeared to be in the greatest need, the conference generously voted two thirds of the said sum, as a partial supply for the preachers in the Ohio district, and one third for the brethren in Kentucky. The whole to be sent in books. There was also a collection of £. 48 18 11. at the Duck-Creek conference, which was sent as a partial supply for those in the extremities of the states of New-York and Connecticut.

MINUTES

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TAKEN AT THE SEVERAL CONFERENCES

OF THE

Methodist Episcopal Church,

FOR THE YEAR

1791.

*Quest. 1. W*HO are admitted on trial?

<i>Ans.</i> James Tolleson	George Martin
Josias Kandell	John Buxton
Samuel Ansley	Samuel Edney
John Wood	James Nolly
John Clark	James Rogers
James Holley	Thomas Boyd
Ricketson Lipsey	Samuel Hitt
Joseph Moore	Jeptha Moore
William Moody	Aquila Garrettson
John Seawell	Lewis Browning
William Bellamy	Andrew Nichols
John Ahair	Nathaniel Greaves
Henry Hill	Joshua Jones
William Ormond	Shadrach Bostwick
Freeman Killingsworth	John Beard
Abner Hendley	Isaac Robertson

Samuel Miller
Robert M'Cay
James Boyd
Thomas Lovell
Joshua Taylor
Benjamin Fizler
William Earley
Aaron Hunt
Robert Dillon

David Vallean
Samuel Fowler
Joseph Tatman
James O'Cull
Elisha Pelham
James Coleman
Hallock
James Covel
Levin Moore.

Quest. 2. Who remain on trial?

Ans. John Bonner
William A. Lilly
Arthur Lipsey
John Halliday
Hubbard Saunders
John Sproul
Samuel Cowles
Frederick Roper
John Ball
Simon Carlisle
George M Kenney
Enoch George
John Pace
Daniel Deans
Rufus Wiley
John West
Morris Howe
Daniel Shines
Ezekiel Humphrey
Thomas Easter
Benjamin Wilson
John Wynn
John Metcalf

James Flemming
Stewart Redman
Thomas Bell
William Calbert
George Pickering
Fredus Aldridge
Evan Rogers
Daniel Stringer
John Kobler
John N. Jones
Nathaniel Pinkard
George Cannon
Thomas Haymond
Gamaliel Bailey
Joseph Lovell
Thomas Everard
Philip Wager
Henry Christie
Menzies Rainor
Matthias Swaim
John Clark
Joseph Lillard.

Quest. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Ans. John Ruffel
William M'Dowel
Francis Parker

Hardy Herbert
Aquila Sugg
Wheeler Griffom

John Crawford
 John Andrew
 Philip Mathews
 Henry Leadbetter
 Jonathan Bird
 Joshua Cannon
 Stephen Brooks
 Daniel Southall
 Nicholas Sebrell
 William Spencer
 Pemberton Smith
 Christopher Mooring
 Stephen G. Roszel
 Daniel Fidler
 Thomas Scott
 Daniel Hitt

Martin Hitt
 William M'Lenahan
 John Reagan
 Richard Parrot
 Charles Burgoon
 George Roberts
 Walter Fountain
 Robert Hutchinsoa
 Richard Swain
 James Bell
 William Jackson
 Daniel Smith
 William Lofec
 John Crawford
 Jonathan Newman

Quest. 4. Who are the Deacons ?

Ans. Michael Burdge
 Jonathan Jackson
 Josias Askew
 John Ruffel
 Aquila Sugg
 John Ellis
 Francis Parker
 William M'Dowel
 Bennet Maxey
 John Crawford
 Wheeler Griffom
 Philip Matthews
 John Andrew
 Daniel Lockett
 Benjamin Carter
 John M'Gee
 Jesse Richardson
 Henry Leadbetter
 Jonathan Bird
 Joshua Cannon

Lasfley Matthews
 William Heath
 John Fore
 Benjamin Barnes
 John Robinson
 John Lindsay
 Archer Davies
 William M'Kentree
 Jesse Nicholson
 Henry Birchett
 David Haggard
 John Lee
 Rice Haggard
 Salathiel Weeks
 Daniel Southall
 William Spencer
 Benjamin Brown
 William Mofs
 John Hutt
 Christopher Mooring
 Pemberton

Pemberton Smith
 Nicholas Sebrell
 Stephen G. Roszel
 Isaac Lunsford
 Valentine Cook
 Richard Parrot
 John Rowan
 Joshua Wells
 Robert Green
 John Simmonds
 George Browning
 Charles Burgoon
 John Reagan
 John Chalmers
 George Roberts
 Walter Fountain
 William Dougherty

Quest. 5. Who are the Elders?

Ans. Reuben Ellis

Isaac Smith
 Thomas Humphreys
 Beverly Allen
 Richard Ivy
 Hope Hull
 Thomas Bowen
 Thomas Anderson
 Thomas Ware
 Henry Merritt
 Isaac Low
 Thomas Weatherford
 James Parks
 Mark Whitaker
 John Baldwin
 Charles Hardy
 James Kelly
 John Easter
 John Paup
 Benton Riffin

William Jackson
 Richard Swain
 James Bell
 Robert Hutchinson
 Jethro Johnson
 Benjamin Abbott
 Darius Dunham
 Samuel Wigton
 David Candall
 Lemuel Smith
 Daniel Smith
 William Lofee
 John Crawford
 James Campbell
 Jonathan Newman
 Samuel Rudder.

Philip Cox
 Ira Ellis
 Stephen Davies
 James Mechem
 John Jarrell
 John Hill
 John Allen
 Michael Laid
 George Haggerty
 George Wells
 Richard Swift
 Thomas Flemming
 Robert Cann
 Philip Bruce
 John Milburne
 John Merrick
 Simon Pile
 James Cromwell
 John M'Claskey
 John Dickins

Henry Willis	John Bloodgood
Richard Whatcoat	James Mann
Lemuel Green	William Jeffop
Robert Cloud	Ezekiel Cooper
Thomas Morrell	John Haggerty
Freeborn Garrettson	Francis Poythress
Jacob Brush	Thomas Williamson
Nathaniel B. Mills	Wilson Lee
William Phœbus	Barnabas M ^r Henry
Jesse Lee	Amos G. Thompson
Peter Moriarty	Charles Connaway.

Quest. 6. Who have been elected by the unanimous suffrages of the General Conference, to superintend the Methodist Episcopal Church in America ?

Ans. Thomas Coke, Francis Asbury.

Quest. 7. Who are the persons that exercise the Episcopal Office in the Methodist Church in America ?

Ans. Thomas Coke, Francis Asbury, by regular order and succession*.

Quest. 8. Who are under a location, through weakness of body or family concerns ?

<i>Ans.</i> Matthew Harris	Lee Roy Cole
Micajah Tracy	James Haw
Jeremiah Abel	George Callahaun
Edward West	Anthony Banning.
John Barker	

Quest. 9. Who desist from travelling ?

Ans. Joseph Doddridge, Andrew Harpending.

Quest. 10. Who have died this year ?

Ans. Wyatt Andrews, who died full of faith and the Holy Ghost. As long as he could ride, he travelled ; and while he had breath he praised God.

Lemuel Andrews, four years a labourer in the vineyard of the Lord, who maintained a steady, upright walk,

* See the III^d Section of the seventh Edition of our Form of Discipline.

walk, attentive to the work ; his last days were the best to himself and the people he preached to. He died without any expressions of the fear of death.

Aaron Hutchinson, a man of clear understanding, gospel simplicity, and godly sincerity ; blameless in his life ; acceptable as a preacher ; fruitful in his labours ; which ended in the short space of four years. He was patient, resigned, and confident in his last moments.

Eliphalet Reed, a true Israelite, and not without his usefulness. His feeble system failed after three years labour ; a man of a sweet spirit, and humble walk with God.

Quest. 11. Are all the Preachers blameless in life and conversation ?

Answ. Their characters were strictly examined one by one, before the conference.

Quest. 12. How are the Preachers stationed this year ?

Answ. As follows :

	Reuben Ellis, <i>Elder.</i>
Charleston,	James Parks.
Georgetown,	Philip Matthews.
Kingston,	Francis Parker.
Little Pee Dee,	Jonathan Jackson, Samuel Ansley.
Great Pee Dee,	William M'Dowell.
Santee,	John Crawford, James Tollefson.
Edisto,	Michael Burdge, John Wood.
Edisto-Island,	Beverly Allen, <i>supernumerary.</i>
Caanba,	John Ruffel.
Bush-River,	John Bonner.
Brat-River,	Isaac Smith, Josias Randle.
Seleuda,	John Ellis.
Union,	Benjamin Tarrant.
Cherokee,	Wm. A. Lilley, Ricketson Lipsey.

Richard

Richard Ivy, *Elder.*

<i>Washington,</i>	John Andrew, Hardy Herbert.
<i>Richmond,</i>	John Clark.
<i>Burke,</i>	Hope Hull.
<i>North-Savannah,</i>	Hezekiah Arnold.
<i>South-Savannah,</i>	Wheeler Griffom.

Isaac Low, *Elder.*

<i>Caswell,</i>	Enoch George, Henry Hill.
<i>Guilford,</i>	Jonathan Bird, Ezekiel Humphrey.
<i>Yadkin,</i>	Jesse Richardson, Daniel Dean.
<i>Lincoln,</i>	George M'Kinney, Simon Carlisle.
<i>Anson,</i>	William Moody.
<i>Salisbury,</i>	John M'Gee, F. Killingsworth.

Thomas Bowen, *Elder.*

<i>Roanoak,</i>	John Pace, Samuel Cowles.
<i>New-Hope,</i>	J. Cannon, F. Roper, S. Edney.
<i>Bladen,</i>	John Ahair, William Bellamy.
<i>Tar-River,</i>	Morris Howe, William Ormond.
<i>Contentney,</i>	Aquila Sugg, Rufus Wiley.
<i>East New-River,</i>	Thomas Weatherford, D. Southall,
	Abner Hendley.
<i>Pamlico,</i>	John Sproul, Joseph Moore.

Mark Whitaker, *Elder.*

<i>West New-River,</i>	Charles Hardy, John West.
<i>Ruffel,</i>	John Ball.
<i>Holstein,</i>	John Seawell.
<i>Bartie,</i>	Josias Askew, John Buxton.
<i>Greensville,</i>	Benton Riffin, William Spencer.
<i>Camden,</i>	Jesse Nicholson, Thomas Easter.
<i>Portsmouth,</i>	Thomas Anderson, Daniel Stringer.

James Kelly, *Elder.*

<i>Surry,</i>	John Easter, John Fore.
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Suffex,

Suffex,
Brunswick,
Mecklenburg,
Amelia,
Cumberland,
Bedford,
Botetourt,
Greenbrier,
Halifax,
Franklin,
Banks,
Mattamuskeet,

Benjamin Barnes, Joseph Wynn.
 John Paup, Archer Davies.
 Dan. Southall, Hubbard Saunders.
 John Baldwin, William M'Kentree.
 William Heath, Rice Haggard.
 Bennet Maxey, John Kobler.
 John Lindsay.
 Salathiel Weeks, George Martin.
 Benjamin Wilson.
 Henry Merritt, Benjamin Blanton.
 John Metcalf.
 Daniel Shines.

Amherst,
Orange,
Hanover,
Essex,
Williamsburg,
Gloucester,

Ira Ellis, *Elder.*
 William Mofs, Nicholas Sebrell.
 Stephen G. Roszel, John N. Jones.
 John Robinson, Pemberton Smith,
 Stephen Davies, John Hutt.
 James Mechem, Benjamin Brown.
 Christoph. Mooring, James Rogers.

Lancaster,
Stafford,
Fairfax,
Alexandria,
Berkley,
Allegany,
Winchester,
Rockingham,

Philip Bruce, *Elder.*
 Lewis Dawson, Martin Hitt.
 Thomas Scott, Samuel Hitt.
 Thorn. Flemming, Stuart Redman.
 Ezekiel Cooper.
 Lewis Chasteen, Valentine Cook.
 Isaac Lunsford, Daniel Hitt.
 Richard Swift.
 Samuel Breeze, Jeptha Moore.

Nelson Reed, *Elder.*

Baltimore-Town, J. Haggerty *supernumerary,* Emory
 Pryer.
Fell's-Point, Sylvester Hutchinson.
Annapolis, George Haggerty.
Baltimore-County, Jacob Lurton, Andrew Nichols.

Severn,

Severn,	John Hill, John Chalmers.
Calvert,	Joshua Wells, Nathaniel Greaves.
Montgomery,	John Rowen, Aquila Garrettson.
Frederick,	Jonathan Forrest, Thomas Bell.
Bath,	Michael Lard, John Simmons.
Huntingdon,	Charles Burgoon.
Northumberland,	Richard Parrott, Lewis Browning.
Little-York,	George Browning.
Hartford,	Joseph Cromwell, William Calbert.

Joseph Everett, *Elder*.

Dover,	Thomas Foster, Evan Rogers.
Milford,	John Smith, Shadrack Bostwick.
Northampton,	Griffith Callahaun, W. Fountain.
Annamesset,	James Wilson, Joshua Jones.
Somerset,	John Jarrell.
Dorset,	Levin Moore.
Talbot,	Robert Sparks, Fredus Aldridge.
Caroline,	John Milburne, George Pickering.
Queen-Ann,	George Moore, James Thomas.
Kent,	Christopher Spry, William Jackson.
Cecil,	Joseph Wyatt, John Beard.

Lemuel Green, *Elder*.

Chester,	J. M. Clasky, I. Robinson, S. Miller.
Wilmington,	Thomas Ware.
Philadelphia,	Henry Willis, <i>supernumerary</i> ; John Dickins, Superintendent of the Printing and Book-Business.
Bristol,	Gamaliel Bailey, Joseph Lovell.

John Merrick, *Elder*.

Salem,	James Bell, John Clark.
Bethel,	James Cromwell.
Burlington,	Simon Pile, William Dougherty:
Trenton,	Robert Cann, Robert Hutchinson.
Flanders,	Richard Swain, Samuel Fowler.

Robert Cloud, *Elder.*

Newburg, Jethro Johnson, Joshua Taylor.
Wyoming, - James Campbell.

Elder.

New-York, Rd. Whatcoat, Thomas Morrell,
supernumerary, James Mann.

New Rochelle, Jacob Brush, Thomas Everard,
Thomas Lovell.

Long-Island, William Phœbus, Benjamin Abbott.

Freeborn Garrettson, *Elder.*

Dutchess, Peter Moriarty, Hallock.

Columbia, Darius Dunham, Henry Christie.

New-Britain, Elisha Pelham, Robert Dillon.

Cambridge, David Valteau.

Albany, Samuel Wigton, John Crawford.

Saratoga, David Candall.

Ofsego, Philip Wager, Jonathan Newman.

Jesse Lee, *Elder.*

Litchfield, Matthias Swaim, James Covel.

Fairfield, Nathaniel B. Mills, Aaron Hunt.

Middlefields, John Allen, George Roberts.

Hartford, Lemuel Smith, Menzies Rainor.

Stockbridge, Robert Green.

Lynn, John Bloodgood, Daniel Smith.

Kingslon, William Lofee.

William Black, *Elder.*

Halifax, William Jessop, John Mann.

Liverpool, Thomas Whited.

Shelburne, William Early.

Cumberland, Benjamin Fizler.

New-Port, John Cooper,

St. Johns, - John Reagan.

Annapolis, James Boyd.

Limestone, Peter Massey.

Francis Poythress, *Elder.*

Danville, Thomas Williamson, J. Tatman.
Salt-River,

Salt-River, Wilfon Lee, Joseph Lillard.
Lexington, Henry Birchett, David Haggard.
Cumberland, Barnabas McHenry, James O'Cull.
Randolph, George Cannon.

Amos G. Thompson, *Elder.*

Clarksburg, Laffley Matthews, Thomas Boyd.
Redstone, Daniel Fidler, James Coleman.
Ohio, Wm. McLenahan, Thos. Hayman.
Pittsburg, Charles Connaway, *supernumerary.*
West Indies, Samuel Rudder, Nathaniel Pinkard.

Quest. 12. What numbers are there in society?

Answ.

	Whites.	Blacks.		Whites.	Blacks.
Charleston	66	119	Bladen	232	57
Kingston	116	84	Tar-River	655	162
Little Pee-Dee	765	55	E. New-River	1160	466
Great Pee-Dee	317	49	Contentney	293	48
Santee	354	126	Bartie	650	120
Edisto	550	121	Camden	585	229
Catauba	220	20	Banks	408	30
Cherokee	372	10	Botetourt	214	15
Bush-River	200	15	Green-Brier	73	
Broad-River	450	95	Halifax	93	8
Union	120		Franklin	287	27
Seleuda	300	5	Mecklenburg	478	25
Washington	621	114	Cumberland	385	37
Richmond	501	72	Amelia	651	132
Burke	572	43	Brunswick	627	200
Savanna	323	4	Greenville	720	383
W. New-River	320	16	Suffex	606	208
Ruffel	79	5	Portsmouth	819	574
Holstein	140	6	Surry	770	705
Green	340	3	Bedford	383	89
Yadkin	401	25	Amherst	335	130
Salisbury	519	24	Orange	530	54
Anson	150	56	Hanover	640	121
Lincoln	429	12	Effex	248	20
Roan-Oak	536	352	Williamsburg	473	194
Pamlico	374	50	Gloucester	620	62
Guilford	420	36	Lancaster	586	210
Caswell	508	31	Stafford	258	19
New Hope	510	108	Fairfax	657	141

Berkley

	Whites.	Blacks.		Whites.	Blacks.
Berkley	1024	192	Trenton	420	32
Alleghany	351	23	Flanders	304	8
Rockingham	335	46	Newburg	412	7
Clarksburg	300	4	Elizabeth-Town	321	12
Ohio	350		New-York	524	112
Northampton	563	203	New-Rochelle	661	16
Redstone	360	7	Long-Island	251	17
Pittsburg	100		Dutchess	473	6
Randolph	30		Columbia	253	3
Calvert	760	1329	New-Britain	130	
Severn	734	414	Cambridge	260	
Montgomery	637	347	Albany T. & C.	242	4
Baltimore	944	207	Saratoga	100	
Frederick	480	93	Otsego	80	
Bath	315	41	Litchfield	130	
Huntingdon	200	2	Fairfield	173	
Hartford	633	181	Middlefields	62	
Baltimore Town	430	181	Hartford	28	
Pell's Point	138	42	Stockbridge	30	
Annapolis	136	223	Lynn	58	
Dover	1022	396	Wyoming	100	
Milford	720	226	Nova-Scotia	730	
Annamesset	325	51	Limestone	137	6
Somerset	546	99	Lexington	543	37
Dorchester	785	459	Danville	520	28
Caroline	970	313	Salt-River	259	23
Talbot	740	610	Cumberland	349	67
Kent	720	430	Ohio	317	4
Cecil	418	340	Pittsburg	136	
Wilmington	93	48	Redstone	321	6
Chester	429	15	Clarksburg	213	2
Philadelphia	254	36	Randolph	30	2
Bristol	411	6			
Salem	464				
Bethel	403	2			
Burlington	374	18			
			Total	63269	12884

Quest. 13. What is contributed towards the fund for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

<i>Ans. Charleston,</i>	-	-	-	£. 3	14	8
Georgia,	-	-	-	3	7	6
North-Carolina,	-	-	-	6	0	0
Petersburg,	-	-	-	7	5	6
						Centre

Centre District,	-	-	-	11	1	0
North District,	-	-	-	6	5	0
Baltimore Conference	-	-	-	10	2	6
From the Eastern-Shore,	-	-	-	10	15	0
New-Jersey,	-	-	-	3	0	0

Pennsylvania Currency. £. 61 11 2

Quest. 14. How was this applied?

Ans. Some part of it is lodged in the respective districts; and the remainder deposited in the book-fund.

Quest. 16. What appears to be the expense of the charity-boys, who are taken for the next year at Cokesbury-college?

Ans. £. 360 0 0.

Quest. 17. When and where shall the next conferences be held?

Ans. The centre district of Virginia, Dickinson's, Thursday, December 15, 1791.

Lane's Church, Friday, 23.

Green-Hills (N. C.) Saturday, Jan. 21, 1792.

Charleston, Tuesday, February 14.

Georgia, Wednesday, 1st March.

Kentucky, Monday, 1st May.

Holstein, Monday, 15.

Green-Brier, Monday, 22.

Union-Town, Friday, 2d June.

New-Town, Thursday, 15th June.

Baltimore, Friday, 22.

Duck-Creek, Saturday, 1st July.

Philadelphia, Friday, 7.

New-Mills. Wednesday, 12.

New-York, Wednesday, 19.

Lynn, 1st August.

Albany, Tuesday, 15.

N. B. Nelson Reed, Joseph Everett, and John Dickins, are appointed to the special charge of Cokesbury College, in the absence of Francis Asbury; and to assist him when present.

To the Brethren in the united societies of the
Methodist Episcopal Church,

IN A M E R I C A.

Dearlly beloved in the Lord,

I REJOICE to see so many thousands of the present generation, happy subjects of knowledge and grace. A real concern for the rising offspring and the children yet unborn, has been very weighty on my mind for many years. We have been at no small expense to provide a house for refined education, to serve those whose wealth and desires lead them to improve the minds of their children. This will not extend to all, neither will it meet the ideas and wishes of those who have personal and located interests. What I *now* recommend, as your duty and privilege, is to give the key of knowledge in a general way. to your children, and those of the poor in the vicinity of your small towns and villages. It is submitted to your serious consideration, providence, and charity, whether a plan of christian education may not be brought into execution. In every large society, where the members are able and willing, to build a school-house for your sons, and to appropriate land — to employ a single, skilful, pious young man of the society; fix his salary according to that of a travelling-preacher; or if a married man, the same with that of a married preacher. The worship of God in the school-house, should be reading the word of the Lord, singing and prayer, every morning and evening. Playing strictly prohibited. A lesson in the instructions weekly committed to memory—to enjoin manly exercises, as working in the garden or field, walking, reading,

reading, or speaking in public, or bathing. To admit the children whose parents are not in our society, by paying and submission to the rules—to take as many poor of our own, and others as you can. To build a separate school for your daughters, and put these under a gracious woman of abilities, to learn to read, write, sew, knit, mark, and make their own cloathing—to have their religious exercises and instructions the same as your sons—to expel the false obstinately wicked, and incorrigible of either sex. The elder can spend a day in the school once in two weeks to see how both parts of education are attended to. It might be well to elect and appoint three men, wise, good, and willing, as trustees or stewards, to serve a year; in order to manage the temporalities visit at set times, admit or expel, after consulting the elder: and three very discreet, godly women, for the daughters, who shall do the same.

The school may be erected, and finished, clear of debt or rent, for one hundred pounds. Some pious people will probably, at their death, leave legacies; and annual subscriptions should be opened through the society and for any others that will assist. A charity sermon once a year, and public collections may be necessary; perhaps sixty or seventy pounds will be sufficient for the annual expense. The sisters must collect amongst their own sex, and also see how the mistress performs her duty.

These schools may be open on sabbath days, two hours in the morning, and two hours in the evening, for those that have no other time. We have but small hopes of coming properly at the lambs of the flock, till you have schools of your own founding, and under your own direction, that neither yourselves nor the teachers, may be under any restraints from refractory men. If what I have advised, with any improvement, shall be found acceptable, it will give
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rest and joy to my mind. I have served you almost twenty years. I can only say they are *your* children. I want taught, and can assure you it is in my heart to live and die with, and for, both the parents and children.

Your Brother, Friend, and Servant,

for Christ's sake,

F. ASBURY.

Near Salem, New-Jersey,

Sept. 16, 1791.

RECOMMENDATORY CAUTION.

MARK WELL!

OUR brethren and friends, are desired to be more cautious how they receive strange preachers; especially to preach; unless their names are on the minutes, or they can shew a parchment or a certificate from the presiding elder, or some elder in the district they may say they came from.

MINUTES

M I N U T E S

TAKEN AT THE SEVERAL

C O N F E R E N C E S

OF THE

Methodist Episcopal Church,

FOR THE YEAR

1792.



*Quest. 1. **W**HO are admitted on trial?*

<i>Answ.</i> Henry Crank	Abfalom Kinsey
Laurence Mansfield	William Fulwood
Daniel Hall	Benjamin Tarrant
Samuel Steward	Tobias Gibson
James Dawley	James Jenkins
Joel Tucker	George Clark
William Hunter	Benjamin Northcott
William Dyer	John Page
Edward Hardy	Stith Mead
Jeremiah Jackson	Jacob Peck
Coleman Carlisle	James Ward
Philip Sands	Ephraim Chambers
William Burke	William Talbot
Richard Bird	Thomas Lyall

John

John Watſon
 Seally Bunn
 Jordon Rexford
 Smith Weeks
 George Strebeck
 Zebulon Kankey

Laurence M^cCombs
 Joſhua Hall
 Joſeph Rowen
 Joſeph Wainwright
 John Halliday.

Queſt. 2. Who remain on trial?

Anſw. James Rogers

John Buxton
 James Nolly
 Henry Hill
 Freeman Killingsworth
 William Moody
 Joſeph Moore
 William Bellamy
 John Ahair
 William Ormond
 Abner Henly
 Samuel Edney
 James Tolleſon
 Joſias Randall
 Samuel Anſley
 John Wood
 James Holly
 Ricketſon Lipſey
 John Clark
 John Ray
 John Seawell
 Jeremiah Norman
 George Martin
 James Coleman

Elijah Sparks
 Thomas Boyd
 Aquila Garrettfon
 Andrew Nichols
 Lewis Browning
 Nathaniel Greaves
 Robert Dillon
 Eliſha Pelham
 James Covel
 Joſhua Taylor
 Aaron Hunt
 Samuel Fowler
 William Earley
 James Boyd
 Shadrach Boſtwick
 John Beard
 Robert M^cCay
 William Hardeſty
 Iſaac Robertſon
 Simon Miller
 Levi Rogers
 Benjamin Fizler
 Benjamin Farrant
 David Vallean.

Queſt. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Anſw. Thomas Eaſter

John N. Jones
 Benjamin Wilſon
 John Wynn
 John Metcalf

Benjamin Blanton
 Hubbard Saunders
 Daniel Stringer
 Samuel Cowles
 Simon Carliffe

George

George M. Kenney
 Enoch George
 John Pace
 Daniel Deans
 Rufus Wiley
 Morris Howe
 Daniel Shines
 Ezekiel Humphrey
 Frederick Roper
 John Bonner
 William A. Lilly
 Arthur Lipsey
 John Halliday
 Hezekiah Arnold
 John Ball
 John West
 John Kobler
 George Cannon

Thomas Haymond
 Samuel Hitt
 Stewart Redman
 James Flemming
 Thomas Bell
 William Calbert
 Robert Bonfall
 Menzies Rainor
 Philip Wager
 Matthias Swaim
 Fredus Aldridge
 Thomas Everard
 George Pickering
 Evan Rogers
 Gamaliel Bailey
 Joseph Lovell
 John Clark.

Quest. 4. Who are the Deacons ?

Ans. William Mofs
 Stephen G. Roszel
 Nicholas Sebrell
 Pemberton Smith
 John Hutt
 Christopher Mooring
 John N. Jones
 John Fore
 Benjamin Barnes
 John Robinson
 Rice Haggard
 Daniel Southall
 William Spencer
 Samuel Rudder
 Jesse Nicholson
 Daniel Stringer
 John Metcalf
 Jonathan Bird

Joshua Cannon
 Aquila Sugg
 Samuel Cowles
 George M. Kenney
 Enoch George
 John Pace
 Daniel Deans
 Rufus Wiley
 Morris Howe
 John Ruffel
 Francis Parker
 William M. Dowel
 John Crawford
 William A. Lilly
 Arthur Lipsey
 Henry Leadbetter
 Hardy Herbert
 John Halliday

Hezekiah

Hezekiah Arnold
 John Bonner
 David Haggard
 Stephen Brooks
 John Ball
 Daniel Lockett
 John Kobler
 George Cannon
 Thomas Haymond
 Daniel Fidler
 William M'Lenahan
 Laffley Matthews
 Martin Hitt
 Thomas Scott
 Isaac Lunsford
 Daniel Hitt
 Valentine Cook
 Richard Parrot
 Jonathan Simmonds
 Joshua Wells
 Sylvester Hutchinson
 Charles Burgoon
 Menzies Rainor

Quest. 5. Who are the Elders?

Answer. Ira Ellis

James Mechem
 Stephen Davies
 James Kelly
 John Easter
 John Baldwin
 Benton Riggins
 Thomas Anderson
 Henry Merritt
 Philip Cox
 Arthur Davies
 William M'Kentree
 Josias Askew

Jonathan Newman
 David Candall
 William Lofee
 John Reagan
 George Roberts
 Jethro Johnson
 Benjamin Abbott
 James Campbell
 Fredus Aldridge
 Thomas Everard
 Thomas Jackson
 Walter Fountain
 James Rogers
 James Wilson
 Christopher Spry
 William Dougherty
 Richard Swain
 James Bell
 Robert Hutchinson
 Gamaliel Bailey
 Joseph Lovell
 John Clark
 John Riggins.

Isaac Low
 Thomas Bowen
 John M'Gee
 Jesse Richardson
 Reuben Ellis
 Isaac Smith
 Thomas Humphreys
 James Parks
 Jonathan Jackson
 Richard Ivy
 Hope Hull
 Benjamin Carter
 Francis Poythrefts

Wilson

Wilson Lee
 Barnabas M^r Henry
 Henry Birchett
 John Lindsay
 Salathiel Weeks
 Bennet Maxey
 Charles Connaway
 Amos G. Thompson
 Samuel Breeze
 Thornton Flemming
 Richard Swift
 Philip Bruce
 Nelson Reed
 Joseph Cromwell
 Jonathan Forrest
 James Cromwell
 Jacob Lurton
 John Hill
 Emory Pryer
 Jesse Lee
 Daniel Smith
 Lemuel Smith
 Jeremiah Causden
 Freeborn Garrettson
 John Bloodgood
 Peter Moriarty

Samuel Wigton
 Darius Dunham
 John Crawford
 Robert Green
 Richard Whatcoat
 Robert Cloud
 Thomas Morrell
 Nathaniel B. Mills
 William Phœbus
 Jacob Brush
 James Mann
 William Jessop
 George Moore
 John Smith
 Joseph Wyatt
 Robert Sparks
 John Milburne
 John Jarrell
 Lemuel Green
 John M. Claskey
 John Merrick
 Robert Cann
 Thomas Ware
 Henry Willis
 John Dickins
 Ezekiel Cooper.

Quest. 6. Who have been elected by the unanimous suffrages of the General Conference, to superintend the Methodist Episcopal Church in America?

Ans. Thomas Coke, Francis Asbury.

Quest. 7. Who are the persons that exercise the Episcopal Office in the Methodist Church in America?

Ans. Thomas Coke, Francis Asbury.

Quest. 8. Who are under a location through weakness of body or family concerns?

Ans. Benjamin Brown | John Easter
 William Heath | Sihon Smith

Micajah Tracy
Michael Burdge
John Andrew
Wheeler Griffom
Charles Hardy

Thomas Williamfon
John Paup
Lewis Chafteen
Michael Lard
William Phœbus.

Quest. 9. Who are expelled from the connection?

Answ. Beverly Allen, Andrew Harpending.

Quest. 10. Who have died this year?

Answ. Thomas Weatherford: an European advanced in grace, aged 56: upwards of four years a labourer in the vineyard of the Lord: of slender system, unfitted to our changing climes: what was best of all, he lived the gospel, and died triumphant in the Lord.

Peter Massey, under the profession of religion for some years. He felt some declension in the spirit and practice of religion for a season, but was afterwards restored. He laboured faithfully in the ministry upwards of three years, confirmed and established in the grace of God and useful. An afflicted man who desired and obtained a sudden death, by falling from his seat, and expired December 19, 1791, in the morning about 9 o'clock, at Cumberland on the Western waters.

George Browning, two years and an half in the field of labour, a serious devoted man, who died in peace and rested from his afflictions, in hope of eternal glory, which God, that cannot lie, hath promised to faithful souls.

Quest. 11. Are all the Preachers blameless in life and conversation?

Answ. Their characters were strictly examined one by one, before the conference, and approved.

Quest. 12. How are the Preachers stationed this year?

Answ. As follows:

Amherst, - Ira Ellis, Elder.
John N. Jones, Daniel Hall.

Orange,

Orange, - Wm Moss, J. Rogers, S. Steward.
 Hanover, - Steph. G. Roszel, Nicholas Sebrell.
 Gloucester, John Ellis, Lawrence Mansfield.
 Williamsburg, Pem. Smith, Christopher Mooring.
 Pomonkey, James Mechem.
 John Hutt, Book-Steward for the North and Centre
 Districts.

James Kelly, *Elder*.

Franklin, B. Riggins, I. Wynn, H. Saunders.
 Cumberland, William Spencer, Henry Crank.
 Mecklenburg, Rice Haggard, Jacob Peck.
 Amelia, Stephen Davies, John Buxton.
 Brunswick, John Baldwin, Benjamin Barnes.
 Greenville, William M^cKentree, Joel Tucker.
 Sussex, - Josiah Askew, Daniel Stringer.
 Surry, - Daniel Southall, Thomas Easter.
 Bartie, - Henry Merritt, James Dawly.
 Portsmouth, Jesse Nicholson, Benjamin Blanton.
 Camden, - Archer Davies, I. Hunter.
 Banks, - Benjamin Wilson.

Thomas Bowen, *Elder*.

Roan Oak, - William Moody, Abner Henly.
 Pamlico, - Daniel Shines, Edward Hardy.
 Quinty, - Morris Howe, Abfalom Kinsey.
 Scoperlong, - John Ahair.
 Mattamaskeet, Frederick Roper.
 Trent, - Samuel Cowles, Peter Gautier.
 Gospen, - Rufus Wiley, William Ormond.
 Bladen, - Joshua Cannon, Samuel Edney.
 New-Hope, J. Fore, Henry Hill, J. Jackson.
 Tar-River, J. Pace, E. Humphrey, P. Sands.

Isaac Low, *Elder*.

Caswell, - Jonathan Bird, John Sproul.
 Guilford, - J. Nolley, E. George, W. Bellamy.
 Salisbury,

<i>Salisbury,</i>	-	Aquila Sugg, Simon Carlisle.
<i>Ta'kin,</i>	-	George M'Kannev, J. sent Moore.
<i>Lincoln,</i>	-	J. M'Gee, Freeman Killingsworth.
<i>Anson,</i>	-	James Parks
<i>Higbee,</i>	-	Daniel Deans.

Reuben Ellis, *Elder.*

<i>Charleston,</i>	-	Daniel Smith.
<i>Georgetown,</i>	-	William M'Dowel.
<i>Little Pee Dee,</i>	-	Ricketson Lipsley, John Russell.
<i>Great Pee Dee,</i>	-	James Tollefon.
<i>Santee,</i>	-	Isaac Smith, J. Wood.
<i>Edisto,</i>	-	Francis Parker, Benjamin Tarrant.
<i>Catauba,</i>	-	John Crawford.
<i>Busb-River,</i>	-	Tobias Gibson.
<i>Seleuda,</i>	-	W. A. Lilley, S. Ansley, J. Randall.
<i>Cherokee,</i>	-	Jesse Richardson, William Fullwood. James Jenkins.
<i>Broad-River,</i>	-	Arthur Lipsley, Coleman Carlisle.

Richard Ivy, *Elder.*

<i>Washington,</i>	-	Jonathan Jackson, Hezek. Arnold.
<i>North-Savannah,</i>	-	John Bonner.
<i>Oconee,</i>	-	John Clark, James Holly.
<i>Burke,</i>	-	Benjamin Carter, George Clark.
<i>Elbert,</i>	-	John Halliday.

Barnabas M'Henry, *Elder.*

<i>Richmond,</i>	-	Henry Leadbetter.
<i>Holstein,</i>	-	Salathiel Weeks, James Ward.
<i>Green,</i>	-	Stephen Brooks, William Burke.
<i>New-River,</i>	-	David Haggard, Daniel Lockett.
<i>Ruffel,</i>	-	Jeremiah Norman.
<i>Limestone,</i>	-	John Ray.

Francis Poythress, *Elder.*

<i>Lexington,</i>	-	John Seawell, Benjamin Northcott, John Page.
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Danville,

Danville, - Wilson Lee, Richard Bird.
 Salt-River, - Henry Birchett, Isaac Hammer,
 Cumberland, John Ball, Jonathan Stephenson.

Greenbrier, - John Kobler.
 Cowpasture, John Lindsay.
 Botetourt, - Bennet Maxey, Stith Mead.
 Bedford, - John Metcalf, George Martin.

Amos G. Thompson, *Elder.*

Randolph, - Thornton Flemming.
 Clarksburg, - John Watson, Ephraim Chambers.
 Ohio, - I. Lunsford, L. Matthews, D. Hitt.
 Pittsburg, - Valentine Cook, Seally Bunn.
 Redstone, - Jacob Peck, William M'Lenahan,

Philip Bruce, *Elder.*

Allegany, - Samuel Breeze, Thomas Boyd.
 Rockingham, Daniel Fidler, Elijah Sparks.
 Frederick, - Thomas Scott, Thomas Lyall.
 Berkley, - Thomas Haymond.
 Fairfax, - George Cannon, Steward Redman.
 Stafford, - Lewis Dawson, William Talbot.
 Lancaster, - Martin Hitt, Samuel Hitt.

Nelson Reed, *Elder.*

Bath, - Rezin Simpson, William R. Nichols.
 Huntingdon, John Simmons.
 Northumberland, James Campbell, William Calbert.
 Little York, - Samuel Rudder, Charles Cook.
 Hartford, - Jacob Lurton, Andrew Nichols.
 Baltimore, - James Cromwell, Samuel Browning.
 Frederick, - John Chalmers, Aquila Garrettson.
 Montgomery, Joshua Wells, Thomas Bell.
 Calvert, - Richard Parrott.
 Severn, - John Rowen, Nathaniel Greaves.

Annapolis, - Robert Bonfall.
Fell's-Point, Joseph Cromwell.
Baltimore-Town, Richard Whatcoat.

Joseph Everett, *Elder.*

Dover, - Walter Fountain, George Pickering.
Milford, - George Moore, Solomon Sharpe.
Somerset, - John Smith, John Beard.
Northampton, John Milburne, Hugh Works.
Annamesset, - James Thomas, Joseph Rowen.
Dorset, - Joseph Wyatt, James Painter.
Talbot, - Evan Rogers. Shadrach Bostwick.
Caroline, - Thomas Jackson, Joshua Jones
Queen-Ann, - Christopher Spry, William Bishop.
Kent, - John Jarrell, John Fountain.
Cecil, - Robert Sparks, James Wilson.

John McClaffy, *Elder,*

Philadelphia, Henry Willis. supernumerary; John
 Dickins, Superintendent of the
 Printing and Book business.
Chester, - Joseph Lovell, Joseph Wainright.
Wilmington, - Sylvester Hutchinson.
Bristol, - Simon Miller, Isaac Robinson.

Robert Cloud, *Elder.*

Wyoming, - William Hardesty.
Tiga, - John Hill.
Newburg, - Sam. Fowler, Lawrence M'Combs.
Flanders, - Jethro Johnson, Robert M Cay.
Elizabeth-Town, John Clark, Joseph Totten.
Staten-Island, Thomas Ware.

John Merrick, *Elder,*

Trenton, - Gamaliel Bailey, D. Freeman,
Burlington, - Rt. Hutchinson, Wm. Dougherty,
Salem, - Benjamin Abbott, David Bartine.

Bethel,

Bethel, - Robert Cann, Levi Rogers.
New-York, - Thomas Morrell, Lemuel Green,
 George Strebeck.

Jacob Brush, *Elder.*

Long-Island, John Reagan, James Boyd.
New-Rochelle, James Bell, Benjamin Fizler.
Croton, - Peter Moriarty.
Fairfield, - Joshua Taylor, Smith Weeks.
Litchfield, - Philip Wager, James Coleman.
Middletown, - Richard Swain, Aaron Hunt.
Hartford, - Hope Hull, George Roberts, Fre-
 dus Aldridge.

Freeborn Garrettson, *Elder.*

Dutchess, - Thomas Everard, Zebulon Kankey.
Columbia, - Samuel Wigton, Elisha Pelham.
Pittsfield, - David Candall, Robert Dillon, Jor-
 don Rexford.
Otsego, - Jonathan Newman, James Covel.
Saratoga, - Matthias Swaim.
Cambridge, - John Crawford, T. Woolsey.
Albany, - Robert Green, David Valteau.

Cataraqui, - Darius Dunham.
Swagotchee, - William Lofee.

Jesse Lee, *Elder.*

Lynn, - Menzies Rainor.
Boston, - Jeremiah Causden.
Needham, - John Allen.
Providence, - Lemuel Smith.

*Quest. 13. What numbers are in society, in the respec-
 tive circuits?*

Ans. As follows:

Amherst

	Whites.	Blacks.		Whites.	Blacks.
Amherst circuit	345	123	Guilford	613	57
Orange	540	58	Matamoras	164	47
Hanover	520	138	Scoperlong	167	10
Gloucester	658	74	Charleston	48	82
Williamsburg	490	234	Edisto	538	163
Pomoukey	112	37	Little Pee-Dee	700	33
Franklin	567	68	Great Pee-Dee	260	53
Bedford	499	43	Santee	300	350
Cumberland	384	37	Catauba	229	22
Mecklenburg	479	32	Cherokee	453	11
Amelia	645	139	Bush-River	76	12
Brunswick	677	233	Broad-River	500	86
Greenville	735	219	Union	236	24
Suffex	565	168	Seleuda	266	6
Surry	831	800	George-Town	49	100
Bartie	598	163	Washington	332	91
Portsmouth	787	557	Richmond	590	85
Camden	539	278	Burke	430	
Banks	174	4	North Savanna	106	
Lotetourt	221	15	Oconee	220	21
Green-Brier	118	2	Eibert	186	25
Cowpasture	36	3	New-River	278	17
Bedford	434	99	Holstein	214	13
Randolph	36		Green	266	8
Clarksbury	267		Russel	115	2
Rockingham	350	46	Lexington	562	41
Frederick	700	90	Danville	597	44
Berkley	350	95	Limestone	149	7
Fairfax	675	114	Salt-River	381	27
Stafford	300	20	Cumberland	370	57
Lancaster	586	210	Calvert	700	1200
Yadkin	439	14	Annapolis	170	243
Lincoln	453	39	Severn	900	450
Anson	241	40	Baltimore	910	200
Salisbury	565	31	Prince-George	40	
Roan-Oak	573	459	Montgomery	650	350
New Hope	678	145	Frederick	500	100
Bladen	403	64	Bath	320	41
Tar-River	627	116	Huntingdon	215	2
Contentney	407	105	Northumberland	250	
Trent	719	520	Little-York	200	5
Pamlico	346	59	Hartford	630	181
Caswell	517	75	Baltimore Town	450	190

Fell's Point

	Whites.	Blacks.		Whites	Blacks.
Fell's Point	120	4	Wyoming	106	
Dorset	941	47	Bristol	162	6
Milford	846	31	Trenton	395	33
Somerset	615	9	Gloucesters	268	
Northampton	600	24	Burlington	507	47
Annamet	337	7	Bethel	457	3
Dorset	643	39	Salem	554	23
Talbot	400	34	Dutchess	546	7
Caroline	799	27	Columbia	226	3
Queen-Ann	532	41	Putnam	224	
Kent	395	47	Albany	261	
Cecil	416	29	Catarqui	165	
Ohio	364	6	Cambridge	315	
Pittsburg	156		Saratoga	182	
Redstone	361	10	Orfego	207	
Allegany	360	23	Litchfield	428	1
Tioga	71		Fairfield	220	
Philadelphia	297	31	Middletown	124	
Wilmington	83	41	Hartford	175	
Chester	367	3	Lynn	118	
New-Rochelle	390	1	Boston	15	
Croton	318	7	Needham	34	
New-York	511	130	Providence		
Long-Island	266	23			
Staten-Island	77	3			
Elizabeth-Town	190	3			
Newburg	394	6			
			Total	52109	13871

Quest. 14. What is contributed towards the fund for the superannuated Preachers, with the widows and orphans of Preachers?

Ans. £. 103 3 2.

Quest. 15. What has been applied this year?

Ans. To John Easter, £. 25 0 0

To Charles Connaway, 14 0 0

To Joseph Wyatt, 30 0 0

£. 69 0 0

Quest. 16. What is the sum total, for which the book-concern is now accountable to the Preacher's-fund?

Ans.

Ans. £. 182 16 3.

Quest. 17. *What appears to be the expense of the charity-boys this present year at Cokesbury-college?*

Ans. £. 500.

Quest. 18. *When and where shall the next Conferences be held?*

Ans. General Conference, November 1. 1792.

Alexandria, November 15. 1792.

Manchester, November 25. 1792.

North-Carolina, December 12. 1792.

Charleston, December 24. 1792.

Georgia, January 10. 1793.

John's-River, March 24. 1793.

New Territory, Nelson's, April 3. 1793.

Cumberland, Nashville, April 15. 1793.

Kentucky, May 6. 1793.

Greenbrier, May 27. 1793.

Union Town, June 9. 1793.

Old Town, June 18. 1793.

Albany, July 15. 1793.

Lynn, August 1. 1793.

Connecticut, August 12. 1793.

New-York, August 25. 1793.

Philadelphia, September 5. 1793.

Duck Creek, September 12. 1793.

Cokesbury, October 22. 1793.

Baltimore, October 29. 1793.

Alexandria, November 15. 1793.

Manchester, November 25. 1793.

North-Carolina, December 12. 1793.

Charleston, December 24. 1793.

Georgia, January 10. 1794.

John's-River, March 24. 1794.

New-Territory, April 3. 1794.

Cumberland, April 15. 1794.

Kentucky, May 6. 1794.

Trustees

Trustees for the incorporation in Georgia for the present year.

Francis Asbury

Benjamin Carter

Thomas Coke

Jonathan Jackson.

Richard Ivy

Trustees for Union-district school.

Charles Connaway

Valentine Cook.

Amos G. Thompson

Jonathan Rolin.

William M^r Lenahan

Charles Connaway is to manage the building, direct and enforce the discipline of the house.

CAUTIONARY ADVICE.

Our brethren and friends are still desired to be very cautious how they receive impostors, under the profession of preachers of our society or any other; as several people have been much imposed upon, and greatly injured by such characters. If you have any doubts concerning a strange preacher, refer him to the preacher who has the charge of the circuit; but if *he* is not fully satisfied, and the stranger comes to settle amongst you, refer him to the quarterly-meeting conference.

MINUTES



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TAKEN AT THE SEVERAL

CONFERENCES

OF THE

Methodist Episcopal Church,

FOR THE YEAR

1793.



Quest. 1. WHO are admitted on trial?

<i>Ans.</i> John Derbrough	Benjamin Denton
Hamilton Jefferson	James Johnnton
Joshua Jones	Samuel Reisher
William Bishop	James Doughthit
Richard Stocket	William Le Masters
Andrew Nichols	Joseph Thrift
John Philips	Francis Accuff
Randolph Smith	Samuel Hollis
William Ball	Jesse Stoneman
William Wilkinfon	Robert Bonham
Anthony Sale	Alward White
William Douglas	Joel Ketchum
David Richardfon	Calvin Woster
Thomas Wilkinfon	Zadok Priest
William Wells	Moses Crane

Elijah

Elijah Woolsey
Anthony Turk
Enoch Mudge
Jafon Perkins
Daniel Ostrander
Jacob Egbert
Daniel Dennis

Frederick Curp.
William Page
David Abbott
John Vaneman
James Smith
William Hunter
David Bartine.

Quest. 2. Who remain on trial?

Ans. Thomas Lucas

Reazin Simpson
Elijah Sparks
William Talbott
Thomas Lyall
Henry Crank
Lawrence Mansfield
Daniel Hall
Samuel Stuart
James Dawley
Tobias Gibson
George Clark
James Ward
Richard Bird
Benjamin Northcott
John Page
Stith Mead
Jacob Peck
Ephraim Chambers
John Watson
Joel Tucker

James Hunter
Edward Hardy
Jeremiah Jackson
Philip Sands
Absalom Kinsey
James Nolly
Coleman Carlisle
William Fulwood
Benjamin Tarrant
James Jenkins
Sealy Bunn
James Painter
Solomon Sharp
Jordan Rexford
Zebulon Kankey
Smith Weeks
George Strebeck
Joseph Totten
Lawrence M'Combs
Joseph Wainwright
Joseph Rowen.

Quest. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Ans. And. Nichols

Aquila Garrettson
Lewis Browning
Nathaniel Greaves
Samuel Hitt
Stuart Redman
James Flemming

James Rogers
John Buxton
Henry Hill
John Ahair
William Ormond
Abner Hendley
Samuel Edney

Freeman

Freeman Killingsworth

Joseph Moore

William Bellamy

William Moody

James Tollefson

Josiah Randall

Samuel Ansley

John Clark

James Holley

Jeremiah Norman

John Seawell

John Ray

George Martin

Thomas Boyd

Robert Dillon

Elisba Pelham

James Covel

David Valleau

Joshua Hall

Aaron Hunt

Benjamin Fizler

Samuel Fowler

Joshua Taylor

Robert M'Cay

James Coleman

Levi Rogers

Simon Miller

Isaac Robinson

Shadrach Bostwick

James Boyd

John Beard

William Early

William Hardesty.

Quest. 4. Who are the Deacons ?

Ans. Walter Fountain

Charles Burgoon

John Fountain

James Wilson

Matthias Swaim

Joseph Moore

Daniel Shines

William Bellamy

Ezekiel Humphrey

Lewis Browning

James Campbell

John Simmons

Evan Rogers

Morris Howe

John Chalmers

Thomas Bell

William M'Dowell

John Hatt

George Cannon

Thomas Haymond

Samuel Hitt

Stewart Redman

James Flemming

William Moss

Nicholas Sebrell

Pemberton Smith

Christopher Mooring

John N. Jones

Benjamin Barnes

Daniel Southall

William Spencer

Daniel Stringer

John Metcalf

John Ellis

James Rogers

John Wynn

Thomas

Thomas Easter
 John West
 Benjamin Blanton
 John Pace
 Rufus Wiley
 Enoch George
 Daniel Deans
 Henry Hill
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 Samuel Edney
 Simon Carlisle
 John Crawford
 John Ruffel
 Francis Parker
 Arthur Lipsey
 Samuel Ansley
 John Bonner
 Hezekiah Arnold
 John Clark
 William A. Lilly
 John Ball
 John Ray
 Samuel Rudder
 John Seawell

George Martin
 William McLenahan
 Daniel Eidler
 Lattley Matthews
 Robert Dillon
 James Covell
 David Vallean
 Fredus Aldridge
 Joshua Hall
 Aaron Hunt
 Philip Wager
 Benjamin Fizler
 Joseph Lovell
 John Clark
 Menzies Rainor
 Samuel Fowler
 Joshua Taylor
 James Boyd
 Benjamin Wilson
 Robert Hutchinson
 Gamaliel Bailey
 Isaac Robertson
 Simon Miller.

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Ans. Joseph Everett

John Smith
 Jonathan Jackson
 Jesse Richardson
 John Milburne
 • Wilton Lee
 Nathaniel B. Mills
 Christopher Spry
 John Jarrel
 Robert Sparks
 Joseph Cromwell
 James Cromwell

Nelson Reed
 John Bloodgood
 Richard Whatcoat
 Joseph Wyatt
 Richard Parrot
 Benton Riggins
 Joshua Wells
 William Calbert
 James Thomas
 John Haggerty, *supern.*
 Philip Bruce
 Samuel Breeze

George

George Wells
 Richard Swift
 Lewis Chasteen
 Ira Ellis
 James Mechem
 Stephen Davies
 John Easter
 John Baldwin
 Arthur Davies
 Josiah Askew
 Thomas Anderfon
 Henry Merritt
 Philip Cox
 Salathiel Weeks
 Thomas Bowen
 Isaac Low
 John M'Gee
 James Parks
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 Joshua Cannon
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 Isaac Lunsford
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 Charles Connaway
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 Stephen G. Roszel
 Valentine Cook
 Thomas Scott
 Martin Hitt
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 David Candall

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 Freeborn Garrettson
 Darius Dunham
 Samuel Wigton
 John Crawford
 Robert Green
 Jesse Lee
 John Hill
 Ezekiel Cooper
 Lemuel Smith
 Jacob Brush
 Amos G. Thompson
 George Roberts
 George Pickering
 Richard Swain
 Sylvester Hutchinson
 Peter Moriarty
 Thomas Ware
 John Reagan
 James Mann
 William Jessop
 Thomas Morrell
 Jeremiah Cosden
 John M'Clasky
 Sihon Smith
 Aquila Sugg
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 Richard Ivy
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John Halliday	Samuel Breeze
Hubbard Saunders	Thomas Jackson
Mark Whitaker	William Dougherty
Daniel Lockett	Thomas Anderson
Stephen Brooks	Arthur Davies.

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John Allen	John Robertson.

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John

John Sproul, a simple, honest man, who gave himself wholly to God and his work ; but was suddenly taken from toil to rest : though he was weak in body, he was fervent in spirit ; and we venture to hope, though surprized by death, he went in peace to his eternal home.

Quest. 12. Are all the Preachers blameless in life and conversation ?

Ans. Their characters were strictly examined one by one, before the conference, and approved.

Quest. 13. How are the Preachers stationed this year ?

Ans. As follows :

Richard Whatcoat, *Elder.*

<i>Dover,</i>	-	John Milburne, William Page.
<i>Milford,</i>	-	Walter Fountain, Joseph Rowen.
<i>Somerset,</i>	-	William Bishop.
<i>Northampton,</i>		To be supplied.
<i>Annamesset,</i>	-	John Smith.
<i>Dorset,</i>	-	Charles Burgoon.
<i>Talbot,</i>	-	To be supplied.
<i>Caroline,</i>	-	Christoph. Spry, Hamilton Jefferson.
<i>Queen-Ann,</i>	-	To be supplied.
<i>Kent,</i>	-	David Abbott, John Vaneman.
<i>Cecil,</i>	-	Benjamin Abbot, Frederick Curp.

Thomas Anderson, *Elder.*

<i>Amherst</i>	-	John Ellis, Henry Crank.
<i>Orange,</i>	-	Daniel Stringer, John Buxton, William Wilkinfon.
<i>Hanover,</i>	-	John Wynn, William Ball.
<i>Gloucester,</i>	-	William A. Lilley, James Dawley.
<i>Williamsburg,</i>		Wm. Spencer, Lawrence Mansfield.

Ira Ellis, *Elder.*

<i>Cumberland,</i>		Steph. Davies, Christoph. Mooring.
<i>Mecklenburg,</i>		James Mecham, William Mofs.

Amelia,

<i>Amelia,</i>	-	James Rogers, Joel Tucker.
<i>Brunswick,</i>	-	Henry Merritt, Daniel Hall.
<i>Greenville,</i>	-	Daniel Southall, Thomas Easter.
<i>Suffex,</i>	-	John Baldwin, Pemberton Smith.
<i>Surry,</i>	-	Salathiel Weeks, Samuel Cowles.
<i>Bartie,</i>	-	Benjamin Barnes, Nicholas Sebrell.
<i>Portsmouth,</i>		William Heath, John West.
<i>Camden,</i>	-	Benjamin Blanton, Anthony Sale.
<i>Banks,</i>	-	James Hunter.
<i>Edenton</i>	-	Archer Davies.
<i>Richmond, &</i>	}	Josiah Askew.
<i>Manchester,</i>		
<i>Norfolk, &</i>	}	William M'Kentry,
<i>Portsmouth,</i>		
<i>Petersburg</i>	-	John Lindsay.
<i>Franklin,</i>	-	John N. Jones, S. S. Stuart, Thomas Wilkinfon.

Isaac Low, *Elder.*

<i>Caswell,</i>	-	Freeman Killingsworth, George M'Kenney.
<i>Union,</i>	-	Joseph Moore, James Holley.
<i>Swanino,</i>	-	Samuel Edney.
<i>Guilford,</i>	-	John Pace, A. Kinsey.
<i>Haw-River,</i>		David Richardson.
<i>New-Hope,</i>	-	Aquila Sugg, William Wells.

James Parks, *Elder.*

<i>Radkin,</i>	-	John Fore, John Ahair.
<i>Salisbury,</i>	-	David Haggard.
<i>Anson,</i>	-	Jonathan Bird.

Thomas Bowen, *Elder.*

<i>Bladen,</i>	-	Sihon Smith, Benjamin Denton.
<i>Tar-River,</i>		Joshua Cannon, Coleman Carlisle, L. Dyson.
<i>Gospen,</i>	-	Daniel Shines, Robert Cox.

Trent,

Trent, - Kufus Wiley, S. Carlisle
Matt maskeet, Ezekiel Humphrey.
Sceperlong, - Daniel Dean.
Contentney, - William Bellamy, William Douglas,
Pamlico, - William Ormond, Jerem. Jackson.
Rom Oak, - James Nolley, Philip Sands.
Broad-River, Enoch George, William Moody.

Isaac Smith, *Elder.*

Catauba, - John Bonner.
Santee, - Tobias Gibson.
Edisto, - John Russell, Samuel Ansley.
Great Pee Dee, Arthur Lipsey.
Little Pee Dee, Henry Leadbetter, Hezek. Arnold.
Georgetown, J. Richardson.

Reuben Ellis, *Elder.*

Charleston, - Daniel Smith, Jonathan Jackson.
Washington, - James Tolleson, Jethro Johnson.
Richmond, - Josiah Randall, Abner Henly.
Burke, - Benjamin Tarrant, Samuel Reisher.
Savanna, - Hope Hull.
Cherokee, - John Crawford, Francis Parker.
Oconee, - James Jenkins.
Seleuda, - George Clark, James Doughthit.
Busb-River, - John Clark.

Richard Ivy, Travelling Book-Steward.

John Kobler, *Elder.*

New-River, Jacob Peck.
Holstein, - John Simmons, Stith Mead.
Green, - Samuel Rudder, John Ray.

Francis Poythress, *Elder.*

Cumberland, Henry Birchett.
Salt-River, - Jacob Lurton, James Ward.

Danville

- Danville*, - William Burke, John Page, John
Seawell, for Bethel School.
Lexington, - John Ball, Gabriel Woodfield.
Hinkstone, - Richard Bird.
Limestone, - Benjamin Northcott.

Barnabas M'Henry, *Elder*.

- Bedford*, - Bennet Maxey.
Botetourt, - John Metcalf, Jeremiah Norman.
Greenbrier, - Francis Accuff.
Cowpasture, George Martin.

Charles Connaway, *Elder*.

- Clarksburg*, - Valentine Cook, Jesse Stoneman.
Ohio, - Thomas Scott, Robert Bonham.
Washington, - Samuel Hitt, Ephraim Chambers.
Redstone, - Thomas Bell, Seally Bunn.
Pittsburg, - Daniel Hitt, Alwood White.

Philip Bruce, Lemuel Green, *Elders*.

- Rockingham*, Stephen G. Rozfell, Randall Smith.
Frederick, - Joshua Wells, Thomas Boyd.
Winchester, - Hardy Herbert.
Berkley, - William M'Lenahan, Thos. Lyall.
Alleghany, - James Flemming, John Philips.
Fairfax, - George Cannon.
Alexandria, - Jeremiah Causden.
Stafford, - Thomas Haymond, Stuart Redman.
Lancaster, - Lewis Chasteen, William Talbott.

Ezekiel Cooper, *Elder*.

- Boston*, - Amos G. Thompson.
Needham, - John Hill.
Lynn, - Jordan Rexford.
Greenwich, - David Candall, Enoch Mudge.
Warren, - Philip Wager.
*Province of
Main & Lynn*, } Jesse Lee.

George

George Roberts, *Elder.*

<i>Hartford,</i>	-	George Pickering, Joshua Hall.
<i>New-London,</i>	-	George Roberts, Richard Swain, Fredus Aldridge.
<i>Middletown,</i>	-	Joshua Taylor, Benjamin Fizler.
<i>Litchfield,</i>	-	Lemuel Smith, Daniel Ostrander,
<i>Tolland,</i>	-	Joseph Lovell.

Thomas Ware, *Elder.*

<i>Granville,</i>	-	Calvin Wofter, Jason Perkins.
<i>Pittsfield,</i>	-	James Covel, Zadok Priest.
<i>Cambridge,</i>	-	Joel Ketchum, Elijah Woolsey.
<i>Saratoga,</i>	-	Matthias Swaim.
<i>Otsego,</i>	-	Zebulon Kankey, Moses Crane.
<i>Herkimer,</i>	-	Jonathan Newman, David Bartine.
<i>Dutchess,</i>	-	Samuel Fowler, Robert M'Cay.
<i>Albany,</i>	-	Samuel Wigton, John Crawford.
<i>Columbia,</i>	-	Robert Green.
<i>Fairfield,</i>	-	Aaron Hunt, James Coleman.

Jacob Brush, *Elder.*

<i>Croton,</i>	-	Sylvest. Hutchinson, Jacob Egbert.
<i>New-Rochelle,</i>	-	Peter Moriarty, David Valteau.
<i>Long-Island,</i>	-	Joseph Totten, George Strebeck.
<i>Staten-Island,</i>	-	Thomas Everard.
<i>Elizabeth-Town,</i>	-	John Reagan, Menzies Rainor.
<i>Flanders,</i>	-	John Clark, Daniel Dennis.
<i>Newburg,</i>	-	Laurence M'Combs, Smith Weeks.
<i>New-York,</i>	-	Thomas Morrell.

John Merrick, *Elder.*

<i>Freehold,</i>	-	James Wilson, John Fountain.
<i>Salem,</i>	-	Wilson Lee, Hugh Work.
<i>Bethel,</i>	-	Gamaliel Bailey, Shad. Bostwick.
<i>Trenton,</i>	-	Robert Sparks, Isaac Robinson.
<i>Burlington,</i>	-	Robert Cann, Robert Hutchinson.
		Freeborn

Freeborn Garrettson, *Elder.*

- Bristol*, - Nathaniel B. Mills, Elijah Pelham
Levi Rogers.
Chester, - Robert Cloud, William Hunter.
Wilmington, - Evan Rogers. who after six months
is to change with Robert Cloud.
Philadelphia, Freeborn Garrettson six months. and
then change with Thomas Mor-
rell; Henry Willis, supernume-
rary; John Dickins, superintend-
ent of the Printing and Book-
business.

Nelson Reed, *Elder.*

- Bath*, - Lewis Browning, Thomas Lucas.
Huntingdon, - John Watson, Laffley Matthews.
Hartford, - Wm. M. Dowel, Richard Stocket.
Baltimore Circuit, Nathaniel Greaves.
Severn, - Richard Parrott, Solomon Sharp.
Annapolis, - John Bloodgood.
Calvert, - Benton Riffin, William Nichols.
Prince George, Andrew Nichols.
Montgomery, Morris Howe, Rezin Simpson.
Frederick, - Martin Hitt, Aquila Garrettson.
Little York, - John Chalmers, Simon Miller.
Fell's-Point, Joseph Wyatt.
Baltimore-Town, John M'Clasky, John Haggerty,
supernumerary.

Valentine Cook, *Elder.*

- Northumberland*, James Campbell, James Painter.
Tioga, - James Thomas.
Wyoming, - William Calbert, Anthony Turk.
Seneca Lake, James Smith.

*Quest. 14. What numbers are in society, in the respect-
ive circuits?*

Ans. As follows:

Dover

	Whites. Blacks.			Whites. Blacks.	
Dover	930	507	Cumberland	416	43
Milford	781	319	Mecklenburg	479	32
Somerfet	553	87	Amelia	645	139
Northampton	616	249	Brunswick	653	161
Annameflex	345	85	Greenville	665	347
Dorset	534	431	Suffex	448	206
Talbot	635	330	Surry	814	955
Caroline	446	236	Bartie	616	176
Queen-Ann	372	467	Portsmouth	729	439
Kent	523	462	Camden	555	347
Cecil	434	321	Banks	174	4
Hartford	532	178	Norfolk & }	109	159
Baltimore	916	144	Portsmouth }		
Severn	928	598	Bladen	480	72
Annapolis	170	243	New Hope	735	157
Calvert	732	923	Tar-River	610	160
Prince-George	64	225	Goshen	366	52
Montgomery	728	362	Trent	587	337
Frederick	422	74	Matamaskcet	156	42
Frederick-Town	24	24	Scoperlong	175	23
Bath	326	22	Contentney	360	96
Huntingdon	165	2	Pamlico	415	104
Northumberland	170	1	Roan-Oak	538	544
Little-York	156		Charleston	50	169
Fell's Point	95	37	George-Town	52	180
Baltimore Town	440	207	Little Pee-Dee	589	31
Tioga	70		Great Pee-Dee	256	28
Wyoming	100		Santee	163	158
Lancaster	590	261	Catauba	163	4
Stafford	309	45	Broad-River	541	78
Fairfax	520	50	Cherokee	428	13
Berkley	571	68	Seleuda and }	555	30
Frederick	485	126	Buff-River }		
Rockingham	350	46	Edisto	474	135
Allegany	382	20	North Savanna	104	
Winchester	55	28	Burke	420	10
Alexandria	58	40	Richmond	650	111
Amherft			Washington	518	118
Orange	520	62	Oconee	202	18
Hanover	477	62	Green	345	9
Gloucester	677	63	Holstein	271	18
Williamsburg	589	241	Ruffel	125	4
Franklin	566	92	New-River	184	15
			R		
				Salt-River	

	Whites.	Blacks.		Whites.	Blacks.
Salt-River	340	24	Litchfield	184	
Danfsville	548	20	New-London	50	
Lexington	401	30	Hartford	341	
Hinkstone	281	4	Middletown	170	2
Limestone	242	8	Fairfield	241	
Cumberland	270	50	New-Rochelle	375	
Bedford	474	102	Croton	278	6
Botetourt	470	30	Long-Island	271	21
Green-Brier	202	5	New-York	639	154
Cowpasture	48	8	Staten-Island	77	
Clarksburg	307	3	Elizabeth	226	8
Ohio	362	9	Flanders	310	12
Redstone	325	9	Newburg	397	4
Pittsburg	151		Salem	502	22
Dutchess	381	7	Caswell	517	75
Columbia	230		Guilford	613	57
Pittsfield	330		Salisbury	565	31
Orfego	296		Bethel	433	9
Saratoga	270		Burlington	397	25
Cambridge	440		Trenton	465	41
Albany	388	6	Bristol	194	6
Harkemer	142	8	Chester	379	19
Oswegoche	90		Philadelphia	354	20
Bay Quinty	255	4	Wilmington	82	55
Granville,	90		Anson	214	40
Boston	41		Union	236	24
Lynn	166		Swanino	70	
Needham	50				
Greenwich	16				
Warren	58				
			Total	51416	16227

Quest. 15. What is contributed towards the fund for the superannuated Preachers, with the widows and orphans of Preachers?

Ans. £. 127 10 0.

Quest. 16. What has been applied this year?

Ans. To Jonathan Forrest, £. 24 0 0
 To John Easter, 24 0 0
 To Charles Connaway, 24 0 0
 To Widow Hutchinson, 6 0 0

£. 78 0 0

Quest.

Quest. 17. What is the sum total, for which the book-concern is now accountable to the Preacher's-fund ?

Ans. £. 301 17 2.

Quest. 18. When and where shall the next Conferences be held ?

Ans. Baltimore, October 20, 1793.

Petersburg, November 15, 1793.

North-Carolina, December 9, 1793.

South-Carolina, January 1, 1794.

New Territory, April 2, 1794.

Kentucky, April 15, 1794.

Mitchell's (Botetourt) May 26, 1794.

Rockingham, June 3, 1794.

Union Town, June 12, 1794.

Albany, July 10. 1794.

Lynn, July 25, 1794.

Connecticut, September 8, 1794.

New-York, September 22, 1794.

Philadelphia, October 5. 1794.

Here the district Conferences terminate for this tour.

C A U T I O N.

The brethren are requested to be on their guard against impostors—one of this character having made his way through North and South Carolina, collected money, purchased a horse by falsehood, and disappeared.—If a preacher is on the travelling plan, he will be sent out from the district conference ; if he is in the local line, he can be recommended from his quarterly meeting.—If doubts arise relative to any person who may appear under the character of a Methodist preacher, refer him to the preacher who has the charge of the circuit, for examination, before he is permitted to preach.

MINUTES

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OF THE

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FOR THE YEAR

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<i>Ans.</i> John Reynolds	Charles Leadbetter
Thomas Wayman	Roger Hancock
Levin Moore	Thomas Mann
Henry Smith	James King
David Thompson	Richard Posey
Josiah Cole	John Lindsay
James Jones	Moses Spear
Freeborn Garrettson, Jun.	John Dickin
Rezin Cash	Peter Guthrie
Richard Ferguson	William Beauchamp
William Dawley	Benjamin Walsh
John Weeks	Thomas Coope
Jeremiah Munday	William Kavanaugh
Edward Rouzey	Levi Garrett

Nicholas Snethen
John Woofler
William Storms
Ezekiel Canfield
Daniel Brumley
Joseph Mitchell

David Brown
Samuel Coat
John Robinson
Jonathan Bateman
John Brodhead
Matthew M'Gee.

Quest. 2. Who remain on trial?

Ans. John Derbrough

Hamilton Jefferson
Richard Stockett
William Bishop
Joseph Rowen
William Ball
William Wilkinfon
Anthony Sale
Thomas Wilkinfon
William Douglas
Wiliam Wells
Benjamin Denton
Leonard Dyfon
Robert Cox
Samuel Reisher
James Doukgthit
Jesse Stoneman

Alward White
John Philips
Robert Bonham
Enoch Mudge
Daniel Ostrander
David Abbott
Zadok Priest
Francis Accuff
Calvin Woofler
Daniel Dennis
David Bartine
Jacob Rickhow
Jacob Egbert
Robert Manley
William Hunter
Anthony Turk.

Quest. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Ans. Joshua Jones

Andrew Nicholls
William Talbott
Aquila Garrettson
John Fountain
Hugh Work
Lawrence Mansfield
Daniel Hall
Samuel S. Steward
James Dawley
James Hunter
Joel Tucker

Tobias Gibfon
George Clark
William Fulwood
Benjamin Tarrant
James Jenkins
John Beard
Shadrach Bostwick
Solomon Sharp
Nathaniel Greaves
William Hardesty
Edward Hardy
Jeremiah Jackson

Philip

Philip Sands
Abfalom Kinsey
James Nolley
Stith Mead
Jacob Peck
William Burke
Richard Bird
John Watson
Sealy Bunn
Ephraim Chambers
Thomas Lyall
Jordon Rexford

Quest. 4. Who are the Deacons ?

Ans. George Cannon

Thomas Haymond
Stewart Redman
Morris Howe
James Campbell
John Beard
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Joshua Jones

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Jeremiah Norman
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Zebulon Kankey
Smith Weeks
Lawrence M. Combs
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Levi Rogers
Elisha Pelham
John Fountain.

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William Bellamy
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 William Mofs
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 Thomas Bowen

Isaac

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James Parks	Isaac Lunsford
John Fore	Lemuel Smith
Joshua Cannon	George Roberts
Aquila Sugg	George Pickering
Henry Leadbetter	Joseph Lovell
Francis Parker	Joshua Hall
Reuben Ellis	Friedus Aldridge
Richard Ivy	Samuel Breeze
Jonathan Jackson	George Wells
Jesse Richardson	Bennet Maxey
Hope Hull	Richard Swain
John Ruffel	James Mann
Josiah Randall	John Mann
James Tollefon	John M'Vean
Enoch George	Robert Green
Isaac Smith	John Crawford
William M'Kentree	John Reagan
Francis Poythrefs	Sylvester Hutchinson
Barnabas M'Henry	Jacob Brush
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Thomas Scott	Peter Moriarty
John Kobler	Jonathan Newman
Charles Connaway	William Phœbus
Joshua Wells	Freeborn Garrettson
Samuel Hitt	Samuel Wigton
Thomas Bell	Thomas Ware
James Flemming	Samuel Fowler
Lastley Matthews	Evan Rogers
Martin Hitt	James Coleman
Daniel Hitt	Matthias Swaim
John Hutt	John Clark
Jesse Lee	John Merrick
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Quest. 11. Who have died this year?

Ans. Philip Cox, a native of Britain, who was born at Froome, Somersetshire: he joined in our Society about 18 years ago, and has been in the ministry about

about 16 Years, during which time he travelled extensively through several of the United States.—He was a man of small stature, great spirit, quick apprehension, sound judgment, a lover of union, and often prayed and preached to the admiration of many, and in various parts with considerable success.—His last services were great in circulating so many hundred books of religious instruction. On his return from a visit to the Westward he was attacked with a disease in his bowels, accompanied with a fever and delirium: he observed on Sunday the 1st of September, that it was such a day of peace and comfort to his soul as he had seldom seen. Tuesday he reached home, after which he continued delirious, till, on Sunday the 8th, he departed in peace.

Henry Birchett, from Brunswick county, state of Virginia, between five and six years in the ministry: a gracious, happy, useful man, who freely offered himself for four years service on the dangerous stations of Kentucky and Cumberland. He might have returned at the Kentucky conference 1793, but finding there was a probability of Cumberland being vacated by the preachers, notwithstanding the pain in his breast, and spitting of blood, the danger of the Indians, and prevalency of the small pox, he went a willing martyr, after asking the consent of the Bishop and the conference. We hoped his life would have been preserved, but report saith, he departed in much peace at Cumberland on the western waters in February 1794.

He was one among the worthies who freely left safety, ease, and prosperity, to seek after and suffer faithfully for souls. His meekness, love, labours, prayers, tears, sermons and exhortations will not be soon forgotten: he wanted no appeal from labour, danger or suffering. His willing heart said with Isaiah, Here am I, send me. And notwithstanding
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the president elder told him, he thought it was more than could be required of him, expressing his fears of his life; his willing heart apparently said, "If I perish, I perish." Thus nobly he for Jesus stood, bold to seal the truth and his labours with his blood. This was the language of his heart and practice,

No cross no suffering I decline,

Only let all my heart be thine.

Who can doubt of his eternal rest, or fail to say, let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his.

James Wilson, a native of the Eastern Shore of Maryland, about fifteen years in the profession of religion, near six years in public exercises: his piety, walking with God, fervour in prayer, and exhortations were very great. Having found great consolation a little before his death, as he told several of his friends, we have reason to hope he died in peace. His body was in a languid state for some time, but he was suddenly called away by something like a paralytic or apoplectic stroke. He departed at Churchhill, Queen-Ann's county, Eastern-Shore of Maryland, in October, 1793.

John Wynn, near the age of 27 years, a native of Suffex county, state of Virginia. Between three and four years in the travelling connection. He was a man of address and natural elocution, of an upright heart, a son of affliction willing to labour to the last. When unable to travel at large, he was indulged with a station in Winchester, and was well received and much approved of by the people. He had felt in his system such powerful afflictions as were strong indications to himself, that he could not continue long. He had been under several attacks of a bilious disease, not without some consumptive symptoms. After about seven days illness, he slept in peace the 27th of April, 1794.

Quest. 12. Are all the Preachers blameless in life and conversation?

Ans. They were strictly examined one by one.

Quest. 13. How are the Preachers stationed this year?

Ans. As follows:

Richard Whatcoat, *Elder.*

<i>Dover,</i>	-	John Milburne.
<i>Milford,</i>	-	Walter Fountain, Rezin Cash.
<i>Somerset,</i>	-	Morris Howe, Richard Sockett.
<i>Northampton,</i>	-	John Jarrell, Stuart Redman
<i>Annimesset,</i>	-	John Smith, Thomas Haymond.
<i>Dorset,</i>	-	Joseph Wainwright, William Page.
<i>Talbot,</i>	-	John Beard.
<i>Caroline,</i>	-	Nathan. B. Mills, Hamil. Jefferson.
<i>Queen-Ann,</i>	-	John Chalmers, James Campbell.
<i>Kent,</i>	-	D. Abbot, T. Bell. John Vaneman.
<i>Cecil,</i>	-	Benjamin Abbott, Frederick Curp.

Nelson Reed, *Elder.*

<i>Hartford,</i>	-	Benton Riggin, Joseph Rowen.
<i>Baltimore</i>	-	John M'Clasky, Robert Sparks, Christoph. Spry, Geo. Cannon.
<i>Federal,</i>	-	Richard Parrot, John Derbrough.
<i>Annapolis,</i>	-	Joseph Wyatt.
<i>Calvert,</i>	-	William Hardesty, Levin Moore.
<i>Prince George,</i>	-	Solomon Sharp.
<i>Huntingdon,</i>	-	Robert Bonham, Thomas Edwards.
<i>Frederick,</i>	-	Martin Hitt, Charles Burgoon, last six months.
<i>Bath,</i>	-	Thomas Boyd, William M'Collom.
<i>Montgomery,</i>	-	F. Garrettson, jun. Thos. Wayman.
<i>Little York,</i>	-	Simon Miller.
<i>Carlisle,</i>	-	William M'Dowell, William Talbot.
<i>Cokesbury</i>	-	Joseph Everett.

Lemuel Green, *Elder.*

<i>Leesburg,</i>	-	Thomas Anderson.	} stand 6 mo. change after six months.
<i>Alexandria,</i>	-	John Bloodgood.	
<i>Winchester,</i>	-	John Wynn.	

<i>Fairfax,</i>	-	Andrew Nicholls, Elijah Sparks.
<i>Stafford,</i>	-	Nath. Greaves, Aquila Garrettson.
<i>Lancaster,</i>	-	Joshua Jones, William Bishop.
<i>Penuleton,</i>	-	Richard Ferguson, first six months, Ephraim Chambers, last 6 months.
<i>Berkley,</i>	-	Andrew Nicholas, Thomas Lucas.
<i>Winchester,</i>	-	Wm. M'Lenahan, Laßly Matthews.
<i>Rockingham,</i>	-	Joshua Wells, Sealy Bunn.
<i>Allegany,</i>	-	Alward White, Wm. Beauchamp.
<i>Alexandria,</i>	-	Thomas Anderson, last six months.

Reuben Ellis, *Elder.*

<i>Amherst</i>	-	Anthony Sale, — Gains.
<i>Orange,</i>	-	John West, George Martin, James Dawley.
<i>Hanover,</i>	-	William A. Lilly, Daniel Hall.
<i>Gloucester,</i>	-	William Moss, James Jones.
<i>Williamsburg,</i>	-	John N. Jones Thomas Easter.

Ira Ellis, *Elder.*

<i>Amelia,</i>	-	John Shair, Samuel Cowles.
<i>Greenville,</i>	-	Stephen Davies, Lawrence Mans- field, Thomas Wilkinfon.
<i>Suffex,</i>	-	Henry Merritt, James Rogers, Hen- ry Hill.
<i>Portsmouth,</i>	-	James Mechem, Samuel S. Stuart.
<i>Bartie,</i>	-	Daniel Southall, Edward Hardy.
<i>Camden,</i>	-	Joel Tucker, William Wilkinson.
<i>Brunswick,</i>	-	Josiah Askew, Benjamin Blanton.
<i>Cumberland,</i>	-	James Hunter, David Thomson, six months.
<i>Norfolk,</i>	-	Lee Roy Cole.
<i>Petersburg</i>	-	John Lindsay.
<i>Banks,</i>	-	William Ball.

Salathiel Weeks, John Baldwin, Book-Stewards.

William Spencer, *Elder.*

<i>Salisbury,</i>	-	William Speneer, Josiah Cole.
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Yadkin,

Radkin, - Christoph. Mooring, Pem. Smith.
Anson, - Henry Leadbetter, Daniel Dean.
Swanino, - John Simmons; Philip Sands, Josiah Cole, to change after six months, with Pemberton Smith, and Christopher Mooring.
Cokesbury-School, James Parks.

Thomas Bowen, John Fore, *Elders.*

Road Oak, - Daniel Shines, Jeremiah Munday.
Tar-River, - Jonathan Bird, Absalom Kinsey, Thomas Mann.
Goshen, - Jeremiah Jackson, Roger Hancock.
Pamlico, - Jeremiah Norman, William Wells.
Mattamaskeet, Freeman Killingsworth.
Bladen, - William Bellamy, Robert Cox.
Contentney - Samuel Ansley, Charles Leadbetter.
Trent, - Aquila Sugg.

Isaac Low, *Elder.*

New-Hope, - William Ormond, Leonard Dyson.
Guilford, - John Bonner, Benjamin Denton.
Caswell, - Francis Parker, Arthur Lipsey.
Franklin, - John Buxton, John Weeks, William Dawley, for six months.

Philip Bruce, *Elder.*

Great Pee Dee, Enoch George, Josias Randall.
Little Pee Dee, Joseph Moore.
Santee, - James Jenkins.
Union, - Tobias Gibson, one quarter; William M'Kentree, Nicholas Waters.
Catauba, - William Fulwood.
Charleston, - Joshua Cannon, Isaac Smith, six months to change.
Edisto, - Isaac Smith
Busb-River, - Samuel Reisher.

Broad-River,

Broad-River, John Clark, Coleman Carlisle.
Seleuda, - Abner Henley.
Cherokee, - James Tolleson.
Washington, - John Ruffel, Rd. Posey.
Richmond, - George Clark, John King.
Burke, - Benjamin Tarrant, Jas Doughthit.
Black-Swamp, Jonathan Jackson, to change his
circuit every quarter.

John Kobler, *Elder.*
Holstein, - Francis Accuff, John Lindsay.
New-River, Samuel Rudder, John Ray.
Ruffel - Jacob Peck.
Green, - William Kavenaugh, Levi Garrett.

Francis Poythrefts, *Elder.*
Lexington, - John Metcalf, Tobias Gibson.
Danfsville, - Thomas Scott.
Hinkstone, - William Burk.
Limestone, - Richard Bird.
Cumberland, Jacob Lurton, Moses Spear.
Salt-River, - Barnabas M'Henry, John Page, P.
Guthrie; Barnabas M'Henry and
Jacob Lurton change

Bedford, - David Thompson, last six months,
S. Mead.
Botetourt, - James Hunter, last six months, W.
Douglas.
Greenbrier, - Anthony Sale, last six months.
Cowpasture, John Pace, last six months.
Cumberland, - Bennet Maxey, John Ball, last 6 m.

Charles Connaway, *Elder.*
Clarksburg, - James Flemming, Henry Smith.
New-Hampshire, John Hill.

Ohio,

Ohio, - Samuel Hitt, John H. Reynolds.
 Washington, - Thomas Lyall, Samuel Welsh.
 Reidsville, - Daniel Hitt, J. Philips.
 Pittsburg, - John Watson, R. Ferguson.

Jesse Lee, *Elder*.

Needham,	-	Amos G. Thompson,	} these to change in 3 months. J. Ketchum
Boston,	-	Christopher Spry.	
Lynn,	-	Evan Rogers.	
Marblehead,	-	J. Hill, J. Rexford, supernumerary.	
Fitchburg,	-	Thomas Coope.	
Orange,	-	George Cannon.	
Readfield,	-	Philip Wager.	

George Roberts, *Elder*,

Greenwich, - Joseph Lovell.
 Warren, - John Chalmers.
 New-London, Wilson Lee, David Abbott, Zadok
 Priest, Enoch Mudge.
 Middletown, - Menzies Rainor, Daniel Ostrander.
 Litchfield, - Fredus Aldridge, James Covell.
 Tolland, - Lemuel Smith, G. Pickering.
 Granville, - Joshua Taylor.
 Vermont, - Joshua Hall.
 Fairfield, - Zebulon Kankey, Nicholas Snethen.

Freeborn Garrettson, *Elder*.

Pittsfield, - John Crawford, Daniel Brumly.
 Cambridge, - Robert Green, Joseph Mitchell.
 Dutchess, - Jacob Rickhow, David Brown; Da-
 vid Brown to change with Peter
 Moriarty in six months.
 Columbia, - Matthias Swaim, Jason Perkins.

<i>Croton, and</i>	}	Sylvest. Hutchin-	}	S. & R. Hutch-
<i>New-Rochelle,</i>				
<i>Long-Island,</i>	}	son, Peter Moriar-	}	inson to change
<i>New-York,</i>		ty, D. Dennis.		every 3 m. with
<i>& Brooklin,</i>		Rbt. Hutchinson.		L. M'Combs.
		Ezek. Cooper, Lawrence M'Combs.		
		Supernumeraries, William Phœ-		
		bus, Jacob Brush, David Candall.		

John Merrick, *Elder.*

<i>Freehold,</i>	-	Joseph Totten, John Robinson.
<i>Salem,</i>	-	Richard Swain, Anthony Turk.
<i>Bethel,</i>	-	Benjamin Fizler.
<i>Trenton,</i>	-	John Fountain, Robert M'Cay.
<i>Burlington,</i>	-	Levi Rogers, Elisha Cole.

Thomas Ware, *Elder.*

<i>Harkemer,</i>	}	Smith Weeks, Ezekiel Canfield,
<i>& Otsego,</i>		
<i>Delaware,</i>	-	John Wooster.
<i>Saratoga,</i>	-	Robert Dillon, David Buck.
<i>Albany,</i>	-	Thomas Woolsey, Jacob Egbert.
		Jonathan Newman, David Bartine.
		Thomas Woolsey, to change with
		Jonathan Newman in six months.
<i>Marble-Town,</i>	}	Samuel Fowler, Moses Crane, Wil-
<i>and Newburg,</i>		
<i>Flanders,</i>	-	liam Storms.
<i>Elizabeth-Town</i>	}	Shadrach Bostwick, Samuel Coat.
<i>& Staten-Island,</i>		
		John Clark, Calvin Wooster.

Valentine Cook, *Elder.*

<i>Bristol,</i>	-	William Hunter, Jonath. Bateman.
<i>Chester,</i>	-	William Early, James Smith.
<i>Philadelphia,</i>		Thomas Morrell, John Dickins, su-
		perintendent of the Printing and
		Book-business.
<i>Lancaster,</i>	-	Isaac Robinson, Elijah Pelham.
		<i>Northumberland.</i>

Northumberland, Robert Manly, John Brodhead.
Wyoming, - James Painter.

Thornton Flemming, *Elder.*

• *Tioga,* - James Moore.
 • *Seneca Lake,* Alward White.

Elder.

Nova-Scotia, William Jeffop, Isaac Lunsford,
 Daniel Fidler, Benjamin Wilson,
 James Boyd, James Mann, John
 Mann, Richard Stockett.

Darius Dunham, *Elder.*

Upper-Canada, } James Coleman.
lower-circuit, }

Upper-Canada, } Elijah Woolsey.
upper circuit, }

Quest. 14. What numbers are in society in the respective circuits ?

Ans. As follows :

	Whites.	Blacks.		Whites.	Blacks.
Dover Circuit	930	507	Huntingdon	194	2
Milford	781	319	Bath	290	22
Somerfet	553	87	Montgomery	685	340
Northampton	616	249	Frederick	363	90
Annameffex	345	85	Little-York } and Carlisle }	276	7
Dorset	534	431	Leesburg	55	12
Talbot	635	330	Fell's Point	96	35
Caroline	446	236	Alexandria	60	40
Queen-Ann	573	467	Winchester	451	111
Kent	372	467	Fairfax	540	50
Cecil	434	321	Stafford	324	42
Hartford	519	219	Lancaster	552	180
Baltimore	695	123	Pendleton	67	3
Baltimore Town	440	207	Berkley	526	72
Federal	732	565	Rockingham	364	33
Annapolis	120	190	Allegany	285	14
Calvert	682	1102	Apahest	341	10
Princes-George	110	205			

Orange

	Whites.	Blacks.		Whites.	Blacks.
Orange	642	74	Cherokee	204	
Hanover	532	81	George-Town	53	103
Gloucester	713	81	Washington	389	128
Williamsburg	423	121	Richmond	650	111
Amelia	545	103	Burke and }		
Greenville	878	360	Oconee }	523	31
Suffex	1285	1069	Blackswamp	120	
Portsmouth	651	367	Holstein	257	18
Bartie	616	176	New-River	255	18
Camden	480	304	Ruffel	145	4
Brunswick	586	216	Green	300	7
Cumberland	312	7	Lexington	410	20
Norfolk	119	154	Danville	447	19
Petersburg	52	28	Hinkstone	270	5
Banks	203	16	Limestone	374	6
Richmond & }			Cumberland	400	30
Manchester }	23	4	Salt-River	350	8
Salisbury	543	21	Bedford	345	41
Yadkin & }			Botetourt	470	30
Swanino }	702	12	Green-Brier	107	7
Anson	249	36	Cowpasture	50	8
Roan-Oak	464	423	Clarksburg	334	4
Tar-River	570	103	Ohio	221	1
Goshen	355	34	Washington	222	6
Pamlico	488	92	Redstone	278	7
Matamaskeet	198		Pittsburg	150	1
Bladen	480	55	Boston	45	4
Contentney	316	74	Needham	76	
Trent	597	327	Lynn	149	
New Hope	666	102	Greenwich	30	
Guilford	631	51	Warren	127	
Caswell	477	58	New-London	219	
Franklin	514	86	Middletown	187	
Great Pee-Dee	291	127	Litchfield	195	
Little Pee-Dee	500	91	Toiland	334	
Santee	254	149	Granville,	148	
Union	483	57	Pittsfield	305	
Catauba	180	5	Cambridge	412	
Charleston	60	220	Saratoga	160	
Edisto	452	100	Orsego	140	
Bush-River	245	7	Harkemer	182	2
Broad-River	435	68	Dutchess	406	10
Soleuda	333	23	Albany	475	5

Columbia

Columbia

	Whites.	Blacks.		Whites	Blacks.
Columbia	251	2	Chester	200	19
Fairfield	220		Lancaster	256	4
Croton	283		Wilmington	90	55
New-Rochelle	364	11	Philadelphia	301	66
Long-Island	250	34	Northumberland	310	1
Staten-Island	70		Tioga	113	
Elizabeth-Town	199	12	Wyoming	183	
Flanders	258	3	Seneca-Lake	81	
Newburg	430	13	Province of	} 116	
New-York	575	135	upper-Canada,		
Delaware	290		Lower Circuit		
Freehold	453	24	Midland Circuit	216	2
Salem	586	94	Nova-Scotia	1100	
Bethel	404	11			
Trenton	156	18	Total	52794	13814
Burlington	383	15			
Bristol	211	6			

Quest. 15. What is the sum total, for which the book-concern is now accountable to the Preacher's-fund?

Ans. £. 415 7 8.

Quest. 16. When and where shall the next Conferences be held?

Ans. Baltimore, October 20, 1794.

Petersburg, November 25, 1794.

Charleston, January 1, 1795.

Kentucky, May 1, 1795.

New-London, July 15, 1795.

New-York, September 22, 1795.

Philadelphia, October 5, 1795

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fervile labour be laid aside, and those days be observed with all the solemnity of a Sabbath.

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